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County residents, students make 1996 election decisions

Mock vote

by Eric Gaertner
News Editor

If the adults of Grayling and the United States followed the lead of the high school students, then President Bill Clinton would have won in a landslide.

The final votes in the "real" presidential election weren't tallied as of press time.

The Grayling High School students participated in a national mock election Wednesday, Oct. 30. The results from the Grayling vote were forwarded to a state agency.

The results from Michigan high schools were totaled and used by CNN for their national mock vote show. The Democratic Bill Clinton/Al Gore ticket won by a huge amount by high schoolers nationally.

Out of the 215 students who voted at Grayling High School Oct. 30, 99 (51.3 percent) voted for the Clinton/Dole ticket. Republican challenger Bob Dole, along with running mate Jack Kemp, received 60 votes (30.93 percent).

The Reform Party presidential ticket, Ross Perot and Pat Choate, received 30 votes (15.46 percent). Five student voters cast ballots for other third-party candidates.

Although a majority of those students who voted picked the Democrat, Clinton, more of the straight party votes went to the Republican Party.

There were 98 straight party student voters with 47 casting ballots for the Republican Party, 35 for the Democratic Party, eight for the Libertarian Party and eight others for third parties.

A couple of elementary school classes also participated, voting on paper ballots for president. Twenty-two votes were cast for Clinton and 19 for Dole.

To participate in the Grayling mock vote, high school students had to register the week prior to the election to vote. During that week, 253 students registered to vote out of the 650 high

school students.

There were 215 students who actually voted on mock election day, making it 33 percent of the high school students that cast ballots. A huge percentage, 85 percent, of those registered did take the time to vote during the school day Oct. 30.

The mock election was run by the Project Involvement Class instructed by Howard Lehti. The class provided publicity, voting statistics, workers for registration and polling day, and also responsible for the voting tabulation.

A group of three students — Val Henning, Jamie Tobias and Julie McMann — worked with Crawford County Clerk Sandra Moore and her staff and Grayling Township Clerk Monica Ashton to tabulate the votes.

The three Project Involvement Class students said they learned some interesting things from working on this mock election project.

"I think this mock election will help us (the students) in the future when we get to vote for real," McMann said.

Henning was more surprised with the voting numbers.

"I am shocked that only 33 percent of the students voted," Henning said.

The project benefitted the senior class the most, Tobias said. Only a little more than 30 freshmen voted in the election.

According to Tobias, this shows that as the students get older they follow and care more about the election process.

Henning, Tobias and McMann said they weren't surprised that Clinton was declared the winner in their mock election based on the way the national polls show the support for the President.

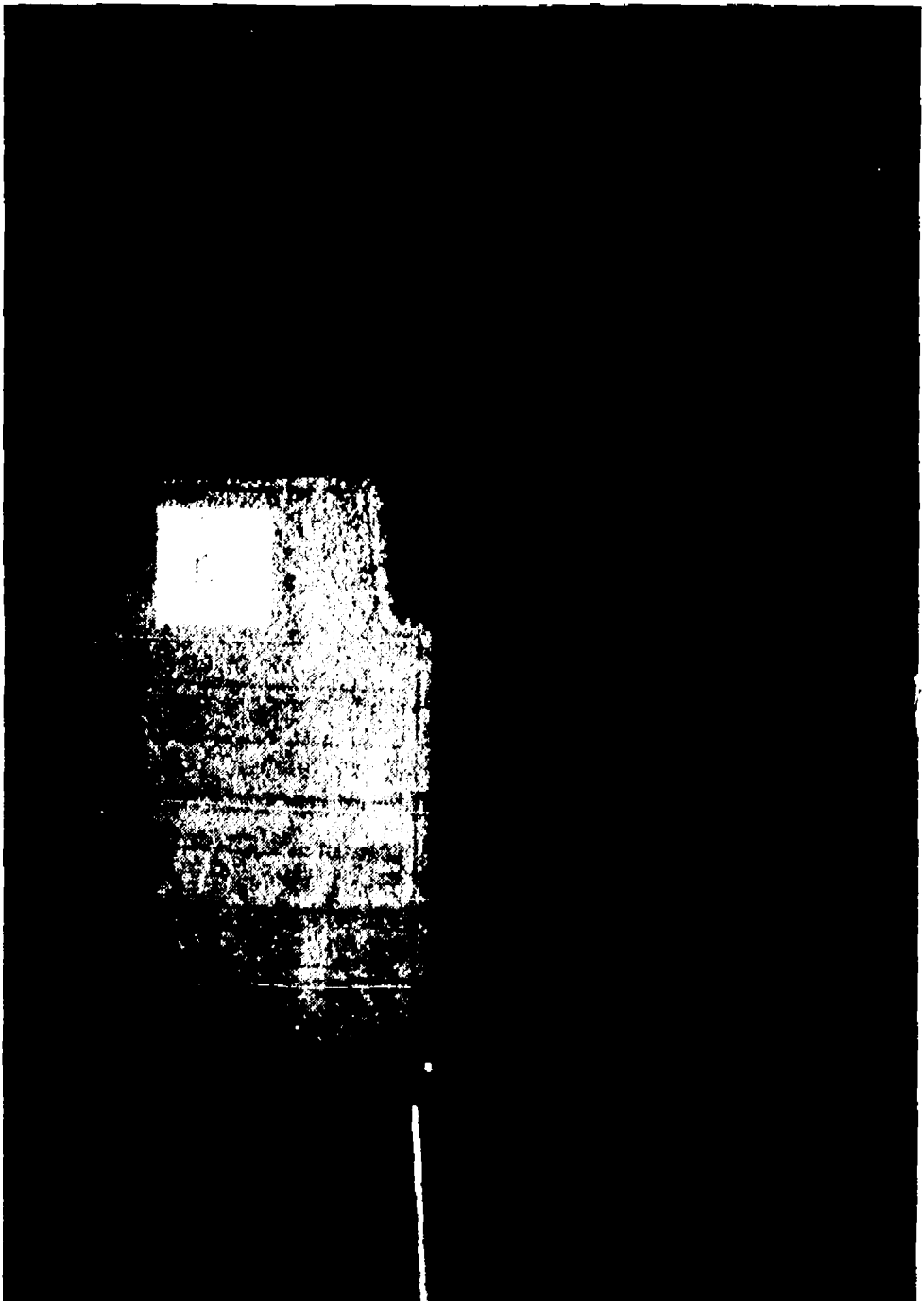
In addition to the presidential race, all of the students who voted were asked to vote for U.S. senator, U.S. congressional representative and state representative.

In the student mock election, Democrat Carl Levin defeated Republican Ronna Romney, 105-75; Republican Dave Camp defeated Democrat Lisa Donaldson, 136-39; and Republican Allen Lowe defeated Democrat Arlin Briley, 149-33.



MOCK ELECTION 1996 Grayling High School students and registered voters hit the polls recently. While the adults didn't vote until Tuesday, Nov. 5, students like Sara Autem, pictured, cast their ballots Oct. 30.

Photo by Eric Gaertner



VOTING CONCENTRATION -- This high school student takes his time in picking the right choice for mock office.

Real vote

by Eric Gaertner
News Editor

Things didn't go as planned at the Crawford County Courthouse Tuesday, Nov. 5.

Like citizens all over the United States, Crawford County residents fled to the polls during the General Election hours. The election process was running smooth until a mechanical malfunction put a temporary halt to the ballot-tabulating process.

After facing a significant slow down in the ballot-counting procedure, the two machines on hand at the courthouse quit working. The time was 12:05 a.m., and because the machines ran so slow while they were still functioning, only two precincts were tabulated at press time.

Crawford County Clerk/Register of Deeds Sandra Moore, who is the chief election official, told those people in the courthouse lobby awaiting the election results that a replacement machine was being located.

"The unfortunate thing is only two precincts are counted," Moore said. "I've called Ogemaw County and after they are done, a sheriff's officer from Ogemaw County will meet one of our (Crawford County) sheriff's officers in Roscommon with their tabulating machine."

According to Moore, the new tabulating machine worked fine during the accuracy test and through the first precinct. Then it started to jam up, she said.

One reason the problem may have occurred could have been the absentee

ballots, Moore said, explaining that the holes might not have been pushed all the way through by each absentee voter.

While most of the county precincts' results weren't available when The Avalanche went to press, the City of Grayling and Maple Forest Township were tabulated prior to the malfunction.

The City of Grayling residents re-elected Republican Dennis J. Long to another term as the District 1 County Commissioner. Long defeated Democratic candidate Norm Bancroft, 327 votes (55.24 percent) to 265 votes (44.76 percent).

Of the 1,388 registered voters in the City of Grayling, 669 or 48.20 percent cast ballots during the General Election.

The other major local race which city residents voted on was for the right to serve as county clerk/register of deeds. The final result of this race won't be available until all of the precincts are tabulated.

The city residents cast 384 ballots for Republican incumbent Sandra Madsen Moore and 159 ballots for Independent (No party affiliation) Linda Rutkowski Franklin.

Maple Forest Township voters didn't face any contest township races. Of the 360 registered voters, 206 turned out at the polls to vote.

Maple Forest Township residents cast 109 votes for Moore and 44 for Franklin in the county clerk/register of deeds race.

Look for complete results of the clerk/register of deeds race and all other county races in the next issue of The Avalanche.

Legion post to host local Veterans Day event

Veterans Day gives this country an opportunity to take time to honor all veterans and their contributions made to keep this country free.

Veterans of Foreign Wars, Carl W. Borchers Post 3736 and Ladies Auxiliary are asking all veteran and civil organizations to gather on Nov. 11 at 11 a.m. at the American Legion Post 106 in Grayling to observe Veterans Day.

Ronald R. Schreiber, Department of Michigan Service Officer with the Disabled American Veterans, will be the main speaker and the Michigan National Guard will give the gun salute. The ceremonies will start promptly at 11 a.m.

Veterans Day tradition started out with the ceremony of a World War I Unknown Soldier being buried in Arlington National Cemetery in 1921. This became the focal point of reverence for America's Veterans.

Veterans Day, also known as Armistice Day, was originally celebrated as the recognition of the ending of World War I. This observance took place on the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month.

Armistice Day officially received its name in America in 1926 through

a Congressional Resolution. It became a National Holiday twelve years later in 1938. Armistice Day represented the end of a war, to end all wars.

When World War II broke out, the meaning needed to change. Armistice Day was then changed to Veterans Day, an occasion to honor those who have served America in all wars. In 1954, President Dwight D. Eisenhower signed a bill proclaiming Nov. 11 as Veterans Day. The traditions for celebration remained the same.

Lawmakers voted to change the observance of Veterans Day to the fourth Monday in October to placate those who wanted additional long weekends. President Lyndon B. Johnson signed it into law on June 28, 1968. By 1977, after strong lobbying, the Veterans of Foreign Wars and other veteran organizations prevailed once again and in 1978, Congress returned the observance to its traditional date.

All American citizens on Nov. 11 whether at a parade, a ceremony, or at work will have their thoughts shared with millions remembering this country's veterans.

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MGT 400	Leadership Effectiveness Analysis	Tuesday
MGT 300	Principles of Management	Tuesday
CIS 101	Computer Information Processing	Tuesday
ACC 342 (5 wks)	Michigan Taxation	Wednesday
CIS 151 (5 wks)	Micro. App./Spreadsheet (Begins 2/17)	Wednesday
ECO 201	Macroeconomics	Wednesday
COM 121	College Writing I	Wednesday
ACC 235 (5 wks)	Accounting Applications/Microcomputer	Thursday
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'Fright Night' becomes fight night in Grayling

A fight, or assault, involving a number of youngsters left one person injured on Halloween night.

In a related matter, the Grayling Police Department received reports of trick-or-treaters having their candy stolen by older children.

A final report on the fighting incident hadn't been completed as of press time. According to Grayling police officials, the report would take some time before finished due to the number of kids at the incident scene.

The incident occurred at the Rite Aid Pharmacy parking lot.

Grayling Police Officer Karl Schreiner said he didn't know of any serious injuries coming from the incident. One child was taken to the hospital as a precautionary procedure.

One youth did sustain a "mouse" under his eye during the incident, Schreiner said.

"It seems to be getting blown out of proportion," Schreiner said. "It was a relatively quiet Halloween compared to some years past."

This wasn't an atypical Halloween, Schreiner said. There wasn't anything exceptional that occurred.

Sheriff's investigation into B&Es continues

Officers from the Crawford County Sheriff's Office are investigating several breaking and entering incidents in the Lovells area.

These B&Es, which occurred during the last week, were committed to residences on Lovells Road and County Road 612.

The suspects entered the residences by cutting locks with bolt cutters and kicking doorways.

One couple, who later found that the suspects had kicked in their garage door, told authorities that the suspects fled in a vehicle. The suspects fled after the victims turned their outside lights on.

The suspects' vehicle was described as an older-model brown pick-up with a caper. It has a loud muffler or glass pack with two white males.

The driver was described as being approximately six-foot tall wearing a tan baseball cap. Suspects were last seen traveling northbound on Lovells Road (F-97) toward Lovells.

Persons with information on the vehicle or the B&E incidents are asked to call the sheriff's office.

End of summer brings increased unemployment

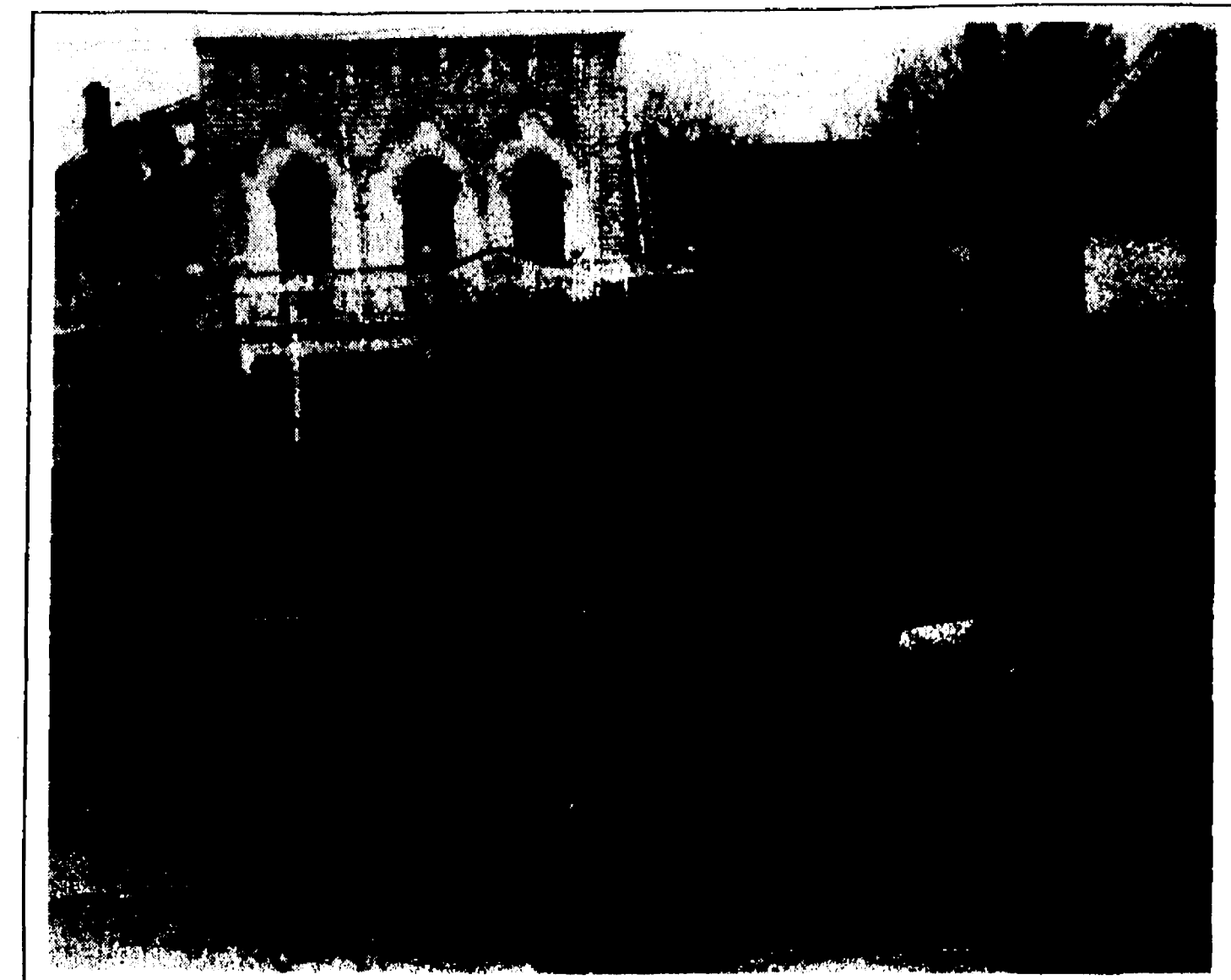
According to the Michigan Employment Security Commission, the northern Lower Peninsula's unemployment rate in September was 5.6 percent, and Crawford County's unemployment was just above that mark at 5.7 percent.

The northern lower's rate was .4 percent higher than the rate posted in August 1996 for the area, but .7 of a percentage point lower than the 6.3 percent rate for September 1995.

Crawford County's unemployment rate was up .7 percent in comparison to the 5.0 percent rate in August 1996. The September 1996 figure and the figure from a year ago, September 1995 were the same.

According to MESC's September 1996 preliminary estimates for Crawford County, the civilian labor force was 5,475 — 5,175 employed and 300 unemployed.

In the northern lower region of Michigan over the month from August



IT'S BACK — Grayling got its first taste of Winter 1996 when the snow started to fly late last week. The snowfall left residents searching for their shovels, and the "orange" trucks hit the roads.

Photo by Eric Gaertner

to September, wage and salary employment declined by 4,175 jobs. Staff reductions were almost entirely seasonal in nature, as the summer ended in earnest.

The greatest job losses occurred in retail trade and non-professional services at area shops, restaurants, resorts and golf courses. Seasonal drops also took place in food and kindred products with the conclusion of the cherry harvest, in state and local government as area parks released summer help, and in other sectors such as professional services, real estate, transportation and construction.

Gains were concentrated in local education as schools brought back support staff.

Compared with a year ago, wage and salary employment has grown by 4,725 jobs or 2.6 percentage points. Over the year, job growth in private services was the greatest with 1,675 new positions posted, which was a gain of 3.7 percent.

Retail trade had the second-highest increase in additional jobs with employment growing by 1,300 people or 2.9 percent. Gains incurred in both durable and non-durable goods sectors (primarily durable goods) barely offset declines, giving employment in manufacturing an insignificant net gain over the year of 25 jobs or .1 of a percentage point.

Government jobs grew by 500 or 1.7 percent annually, boosted by gains in local government. Construction

continued to show good improvement over the year with an increase of 600 new jobs or 5.4 percent.

September's unemployment rate compares unfavorably with the Michigan rate of 4.2 percent, but is close to the national rate of 5.0 percent.

The highest rate in the northern lower peninsula during September was recorded in Wexford County at 8.5 percent, while the lowest rate was in Cheboygan County at 2.7 percent.

RANGE FIRING

Range firing will be conducted at Camp Grayling during the period Nov. 6 through Nov. 13, 1996.

The Small Arms ranges located west of Lake Margrethe, north of Howe Road, east of the gas pipeline, and south of Portage Creek. Firing will begin on Nov. 9 and cease on Nov. 10.

The Small Arms ranges located at Arrowhead Road in Kalkaska County. Firing will begin on

Nov. 9 and cease on Nov. 10.

The Range 40 Complex, Air to Ground, located north of County Rd. 612, east of Guthrie Lake, south of Old State Rd. 618, and west of County Rd. 197 (Twin Bridge Rd.). Firing will begin on Nov. 6 through Nov. 8, and Nov. 12 through Nov. 13.

For further information, call (517) 348-3708 or 1-800-628-5821.

Assistant principal/AD looks to school improvements

By Nancy Lemmen
Special Writer

It's fortunate that Mitch Rosekrans likes to run, because he hit the ground running at full tilt in his first days on the job as Grayling High School's new assistant principal/athletic director.

Rosekrans joined the high school staff on Monday, Oct. 7, just as Homecoming week activities were gearing up. In addition to his regular job requirements, he also was greeted with committee assignments, meetings, parent/teacher conferences and athletic events — not to mention the time needed to simply learn the new position and get to know GHS, its students and its personnel.

So it's also fortunate that Rosekrans is "a tireless worker," as GHS principal Judi Gorski puts it.

"Mr. Rosekrans is a very positive addition to our staff," Gorski said. "He has a genuine interest in doing what's good for students, he has a good vision of what a school is and his goal is to have a positive impact on the school and community."

Members of this fall's assistant principal/athletic director interviewing team echoed Gorski's words of praise for Rosekrans.

"He had a very strong academic and athletic background," said Rich Moffit, social studies instructor and boys' varsity basketball/JV football coach. "We were impressed with his people skills and with the fact that he's close to earning his specialist's degree. We felt very fortunate to get someone of his calibre."

Maureen Nowak, special education instructor and Student Council adviser, also served on the committee that interviewed candidates for the position.

"He was very positive," said Nowak. "He came across as a very strong high school person."

Rosekrans, who said he wants a career in school administration, has been studying and working toward that goal since undergraduate school.

He earned an associate's degree in media technology from Lansing Community College, a bachelor of science degree in education and a master's degree in secondary educational administration from Central Michigan University. He is near completion of a educational

specialist degree in general administration — also at CMU.

He began his career in education as a long-term substitute physical education teacher at Lansing's Sexton High School for one year.

At Pattengill Middle School in Lansing, Rosekrans was the learning center in-school suspension coordinator for three years, as well as its after-school program teacher for over a year.

In 1993-94, he was a physical education instructor at Lansing Everett High School.

In the fall of 1994, he accepted the position of assistant principal/athletic director at Linden Middle School.

Rosekrans has participated in athletics since his youth. In high school, he played football and swam. In college, he participated in intramural basketball, flag football, softball and floor hockey.

As noted, he said he still enjoys running, as well as hunting, fishing, water skiing and spending time with his family — wife Elizabeth, four-year-old Trevor, 18-month-old Laura and chocolate Labrador retriever Dexter.

Rosekrans has coaching experience at all levels of high school football and baseball, and he has been an IM director for boys' and girls' sports.

His volunteer experiences include the Special Olympics, special education programs, gifted and talented programs and the NFL Punt, Pass and Kick competitions.

He said he has also had extensive experience working with economically disadvantaged youths in both rural and urban settings.

A Lansing area native, Rosekrans has spent summers at Houghton Lake since he was four years old, so he said he knows the Grayling area and how it has changed.

In terms of his goal for the position of assistant principal/athletic director, he said, "I'm highly motivated to make this high school something we can all be proud of in the community as a whole. It's good that I can start out on a positive note and address concerns that everyone has. I want to make this school the exemplary place it was and can be."

Rosekrans replaced Bently Laser, who accepted the position of principal at Springport High School.



NEW GHS AP/AD AT WORK — Mitch Rosekrans, who started his duties as assistant principal/athletic director in early October, takes a break from his paper work. (Evan Glicker Photo)

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CHAMPION DEBATERS -- The debate team from Grayling High School is (front, from left) Robin Pawley (coach) Deanna Fleischmann, Janis Dedafoe, Jon Haskel and Jill Ryther. The back row (l-r) is Evan Glicker, Brian McCurdy, Josh Colby, Jeremy Colby, Jesse Hannum and Colin Hunter. Not pictured is Sara McCord and Ryan Denno.

Photo by Lisa Hofman

Viking debaters challenged at workshop

by Lisa Hofman
Staff Reporter

A group of debaters from Grayling High School took part in a debate workshop recently.

The GHS debate team - Jeremy Colby, Josh Colby, Janis Dedafoe, Ryan Denno, Deanna Fleischmann, Evan Glicker, Jesse Hannum, Jon Haskel, Colin Hunter, Brian McCurdy, Sara McCord and Jill Ryther - are coached by GHS teacher Robin Pawley.

The workshop, held to help students hone their debate skills, concerned juvenile crime. Juvenile crime is the nationwide debate topic for this year's high school debaters.

"We learned so much about the structure of debate that it was almost overwhelming. But once I practiced and

participated it was all understandable," Jeremy Colby said.

Debate consists of positive and negative arguments. "The positive argument proves harm with the current system and then develops a way to improve the current system," Pawley said.

The positive side only needs to focus on one aspect of the juvenile crime topic. The negative side must know all aspects of juvenile crime.

"They have to be quick on their feet," Pawley said.

"At the conference I learned a lot about restitution and I'm going to use the information I've gained in my negative argument when I attend competitions," Glicker said.

According to Pawley, debate is currently only a club and is often sec-

ondary to other activities.

However, "I'm really impressed with these kids. I believe they are some of the best kids in the community," Pawley said.

"I've learned a lot about research. I've never done so much homework in my life," Josh Colby said.

The debaters took part in a debate recently and finished 2-1. The group defeated Traverse City and Petoskey, but lost in the third round to a second team from Petoskey.

"I was proud of their performance because it was my first time as a debate coach and their first time participating in the debate," Pawley said.

"GHS has never had a debate team before and we're going against schools that have had teams for over 20 years," Pawley said.

'Bear' name on GRA rec center

The Grayling Recreation Authority (GRA) has decided to name a recreation center in memory of a local legend.

The recreation center, located at Hanson Hills, will now be called the Fred Bear Memorial Center. The decision was made to honor the Grayling man who was a bow hunting legend and started the Bear Archery plant.

The facility, which was the former adult education building, is available to the public for recreation activities such as basketball, volleyball and floor hockey.

In addition to the recreation activities in one half of the building, the other half is available for rent for gatherings. The rental area has been available to residents since August.

The GRA also elected its new officers for the 1996-97 year. The officers and board of directors are up for election annually.

The new officers are Chairman Neal Michal, Vice Chairman Dave Jansen, Treasurer Pauline Petrosky and Secretary Jim Nygard.

Three of the five board members are new to the position. The new board members are Rev. Paul Boerger, Mark Sloan and Mitchell Rosekans. Richard Jaskowski and Ron Gribb were re-elected to another year as a board of directors member.

The board hired Cindy Olson as the GRA director. GRA had been without a director for about three years.

The new meeting times for the public board meetings are the third Thursday of every month at 7 p.m.

Michal said the board members wanted the meetings to be more accessible to the residents they serve. The old board meetings used to be at 5 p.m. on the third Wednesday.

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Senior volunteers deserve recognition

By Tracy Gallagher
Special Writer

The R.S.V.P., Retired and Senior Volunteer Program, has been offering services to Crawford and Roscommon counties since 1973.

"This program is a little bit like a job service, but for volunteers. The R.S.V.P. program registers volunteers in the areas they feel most comfortable with," said Gloria Sanderson, director of the program.

R.S.V.P. is a national program, there are 17 offices throughout the State of Michigan. Some offices handle several counties. However, there are some areas not covered by any R.S.V.P. office. This is a non-profit organization funded through Federal, State, and local monies.

The only qualification for working with R.S.V.P. is that volunteers must be 55 years or older. To continue being a volunteer, volunteers must put in one hour of volunteer service each month. To date, the program has 413 enrolled volunteers that provide services in both Crawford and Roscommon counties.

"The volunteers of this program work with and through stations. Stations are other non-profit organizations such as the Historical Museum, Hanson Hills, schools and library, just to name a few. Currently, there are 105 stations that are serviced through R.S.V.P.," Sanderson said.

Within the 105 stations is the Crawford County Commission on Aging. The Commission provides services such as Meals on Wheels, a meal program, housekeeping and/or transportation services, for those going to and from doctor visits.

"Volunteers are reimbursed 20¢ per mile. The reimbursement is from the volunteers home, to the work location, and then back home again. Volunteers are also covered with an excess auto and liability insurance policy through R.S.V.P.," Sanderson added.

"Most of our volunteers are on fixed incomes, so this program provides supplemental insurance. In the event a volunteer became injured while on an assignment, we wanted to make sure they would not have any out-of-pocket expenses to cover their care," said Sanderson.

"There are so many wonderful things these volunteers do for this program and the citizens they touch. It gives me great pleasure to be associated with each and every one of them," said Sanderson.

The Chamber of Commerce recently hosted a state-wide competition for the Grange Officers at the Holiday Inn. R.S.V.P. was asked to supply volunteers to judge items placed in this competition, such as hand made crafts and toys. Sanderson recalls feeling honored the program was recognized for such an event.

Two years ago, W.I.C., a food supplement program for women, infants, children and seniors could no longer afford to supply the Grayling area. R.S.V.P. and its volunteers took over, from ordering the food to getting it delivered or picked up by its recipients," Sanderson said.

According to Sanderson, for two years the volunteers went to the distribution center in Roscommon and loaded boxes of food in a truck to be brought back to the Grayling area. Each box weighed between 50 and 65 pounds and at the end of the two years, R.S.V.P. loaded as many as 154 boxes.

"Some of these volunteers were men in their 70's loading and unloading several boxes. There are so many examples, like this one, of what all of the R.S.V.P. volunteers do each and every day," said Sanderson.

"Today the W.I.C. program has been reverted back to its original provider NEMSKA, but R.S.V.P. will be there again if it is called upon," Sanderson added.

Approximately 60 percent of the auxiliary personnel working at Mercy Hospital, Grayling, are R.S.V.P. volunteers.

A few of the programs serviced through R.S.V.P. such as those listed above, might be more familiar to the public than others. Yet R.S.V.P. has many volunteers that work on various projects with little recognition.

There is a volunteer that makes teddy bears for the police department, to be given to children during times of crisis. There are volunteers that make all occasion cards, gift tags and stationery. There are volunteers that work out of their homes doing anything and most everything that is asked of them.

Many of the in-home volunteers that knit, begin knitting shortly after Christmas Day to have knitted items for the following Christmas. However, some of these knitted items have been given to nursing homes throughout the year.

Volunteers also stuff envelopes for several different organizations. A recent United Way mailing went out that had 10,000 addresses and four

pieces of mail with each envelope.

R.S.V.P. has a friendly visitor service. This service will provide a home-bound person with a visitor for as long and for as much time as is mutually possible. Another service is the telephone reassurance program. This service provides telephone calls to persons that may require reminders for taking medications, a call to see if the person is doing fine and/or a call to see if there is a need for additional services.

There is a volunteer that goes out during the fall months to feed deer, and others that bake cookies and other items for fundraisers.

There is even a band named the Kitchen Band that performs once a week throughout Crawford and Roscommon counties. This particular band performs with all handmade instruments, but one, the kazoo.

"This program and programs like these are so vital to an area for the work that is accomplished by these hard working people. Although the volunteers are volunteers in the truest sense, we do set an evening aside to recognize our sincere appreciation of their accomplishments throughout the year. It is usually held in June and it's a night we cater them," said Sanderson.

6TH ANNUAL MERCY MANOR

Art & Craft Show

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Handgun Safety

In a study entitled, "Crime, Deterrence, and Right-to-Carry Concealed Handguns," statistics were compiled at the county level in states that passed "concealed carry" laws. They found: "When state concealed handgun laws went into effect in a county, murders fell by 8.5 percent, and rapes and aggravated assaults fell by 5 and 7 percent. In 1992, there were 18,469 murders; 79,272 rapes; 538,368 robberies; and 861,103 aggravated assaults in counties without 'shall issue' laws. The co-efficients imply that if these counties had been subject to state concealed handgun laws, murders in the United States would have declined by 1,570."

"Given the concern that has been raised about increased accidental deaths from concealed weapons, it is interesting to note that the entire number of accidental gun deaths in the United States in 1992 was 1,409. Of this total, 546 accidental deaths were

in states with concealed handgun laws and 863 were in those without these laws. The reduction in murders is as much as three times greater than the total number of accidental deaths in concealed handgun states. Thus if our results are accurate, the net effect of allowing concealed handguns is clearly to save lives."

"Similarly, the results indicate that the number of rapes in states without 'shall issue' laws would have declined by 4,177; aggravated assaults by 60,363; and robberies by 11,898." Economically, "the estimated annual gain from allowing concealed handguns is at least \$6.214 billion." On the other side, the only crimes to increase were property crimes like auto theft, burglary and larceny where the criminals had no reason to fear someone armed.

This new study of crime statistics relating to handguns will be out in January. The above quotes are from

Samuel Francis writing for the Conservative Chronicle, Volume 11, Number 36, 9/4/96, page 14 reporting early a few of the results. The study was done by John Lott of the University of Chicago Law School and David B. Mustard of the University of Chicago Economics Dept. For more information you may check the web site of the Cato Institute (<http://www.cato.org>).

Remember the words of our Lord Jesus Christ to His disciples before sending them out: "Then said he unto them, But now, he that hath a purse, let him take it, and likewise his scrip: and he that hath no sword, let him sell his garment, and buy one." (Luke 22:36) A good defensive weapon is of more value than necessary clothing.

Pastor "B"

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Leidel becomes new diocese's first bishop

By Shirley Schmoock
Special Writer

The old-world splendor and majesty of a universal church body ordaining a new bishop inspires awe in all who attend. The Civic Center of Saginaw, Wendler Arena, had the unique privilege of hosting this magnificent occasion on Sept. 7, 1996.

More than 1,300 people from many states and several nations came to welcome Dr. Edwin Leidel into the newly-created Diocese of Eastern Michigan. Leidel is its first bishop.

The new diocese includes 56 churches, 11,500 baptized members, and 73 clergy. The area it encompasses is the Northeast quadrant of Michigan's Lower Peninsula. It headquarters in Midland, and St. Francis Episcopal Church of Grayling is a part of this diocese.

Officiating at the new bishop's ordi-

nation and serving as Chief Officiant and Consecrator was the Most Reverend Edmond Lee Browning, Presiding Bishop, Primate and Chief Pastor of the Episcopal Church. Browning is the leader of the Episcopal Church of the United States of America.

The Episcopal Church of America is but one part of the Anglican Communion of England, a church body which was once the Church of England.

As Bishop in Christ's holy catholic Church, Leidel will serve as the first bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Eastern Michigan, a new geographic entity which was created because its predecessor, the Diocese of Michigan, had become too vast to govern efficiently. No single bishop could visit all of the congregations in less than three years, and no other persons are allowed to exercise the offices of bishop, unless they are so ordained.

The movement toward splitting the Diocese of Michigan into two distinct and separate parts has been a 20-year process. But it did happen, and the Diocese of Eastern Michigan was

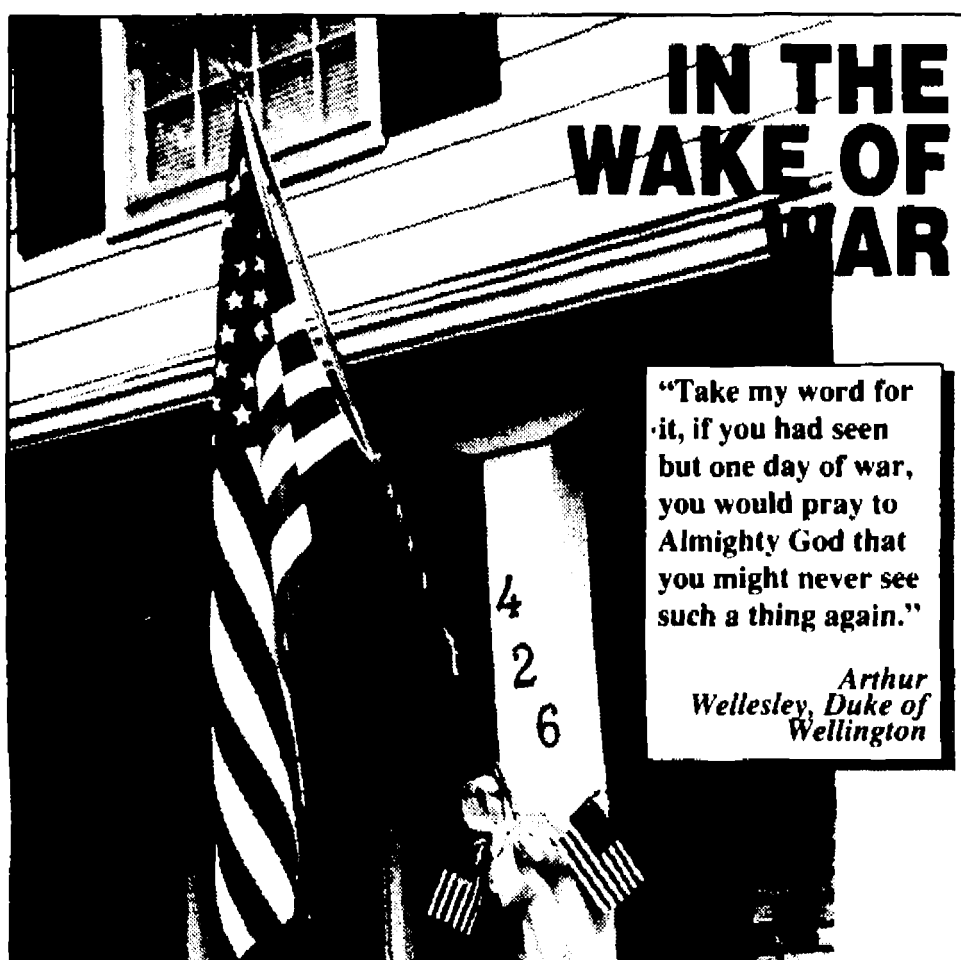
added to the Church organization in 1994 to ease the crush of a single bishop administering to such a large district. The four Convocations are now the Northern, Western, Eastern, and a less expansive Diocese of Michigan.

"I think you've chosen very well," said Edward Witker Jones, Bishop of Indianapolis. "He (Leidel) is a humble man and I think this is the right place for him. He has always been committed to the ministry of all people, both lay and ordained. This new diocese is a good place for him, because he is willing to try new models of ministry."

The new bishop himself said, "I thank you for your prayers, your presence, your singing and your enthusiasm. Thank you for your warmth and your Michigan hospitality. I am looking forward to hearing your stories and experiencing firsthand the many ministries that you are doing."

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IN THE WAKE OF WAR

"Take my word for it, if you had seen but one day of war, you would pray to Almighty God that you might never see such a thing again."

Arthur Wellesley, Duke of Wellington

There is little doubt that our veterans echo this strong sentiment by Arthur Wellesley. On this day set aside for those who returned from war, we must remember the ways in which war altered their lives and often their futures.

They took with them strong young bodies. Some returned crippled and many were aged by the horrors of battle. They took with them hopes for the future. They returned to relive flashes of horror from the past. They took with them an appetite for victory. They returned knowing hunger for peace, for in war there is no true victory.

This Veteran's Day as we honor those who returned from war, may we mourn the dreams they left behind...lost in the wake of war.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Genesis 17:1-27	Genesis 22:1-19	Deuteronomy 10:12-22	Deuteronomy 11:1-7	Deuteronomy 11:8-32	Deuteronomy 14:22-29	Deuteronomy 15:1-11

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Pastor Dale Hammond
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship 11 a.m.
Evening Worship 6 p.m.
Wed. Prayer & Bible Study 7 p.m.

Christian Science Society
209 First St. - Suite 103 - Gaylord
Sunday Service 10:30 a.m.
April through October
2nd Wednesday 8 p.m.

Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church
Pastor J. Douglas Patterson
400 Michigan Ave.
348-2974
Sunday Worship 8:30 & 11 a.m.
Sunday School 9:45-10:45 a.m.
Coffee Fellowship 12 noon
Bible Study (Wed.) 10 a.m.

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Pastor David Strammal
Phone 348-4445
Services held Saturday at Camp AuSable off M-72 East (1st building on right inside camp entrance).
Church Service 9:30 a.m.
Sabbath School 10:30 a.m.
Prayer Meeting Tues 7 p.m.

Grayling Assembly of God
Rev. Ron Voelker, Pastor
701 S. I-75 Business Loop
Church 348-8885-Parsonage 348-2588
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.
Evening Service 6 p.m.
Wednesday - Family Night
Adult-Youth-Children 7 p.m.

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints
President Larry A. Cook
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Sacrament 10 a.m.
Sunday School 11 a.m.
Primary 11 a.m.
Priesthood 12 noon
Relief Society 12 noon

Heritage Baptist
Pastor Ernie Wagner 348-1411
1841 Hartwick Pines Rd.
1/4 mile west of I-75
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship 11 a.m.
Evening Worship 6 p.m.
Wednesday 7 p.m.

St. John Evangelical Lutheran (ELCA)
Pastor Sherry McGuffin
710 Spruce St. - Phone 348-5224
Bible School 9:15 a.m.
Adult Bible Study 9:15 a.m.
Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m.
Nursery is available

Reorganized Church Of Jesus Christ Of Latter Day Saints
Pastor Wayne Horton
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Church School 9:45 a.m.
Preaching 11 a.m.
Midweek Service Prayer 7 p.m.

Gaylord Christian Reformed
Rev. V. Schnap
415 Ohio North
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship 11 a.m.
Evening Service 6 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study 7:30 p.m.

St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church
Robert W. Nalley, J.C.L., Pastor
Lee Ann Duncker, Pastoral Associate
702 Peninsular - 348-7657
Sabbath Eucharist
Saturday Vigil 5 p.m. (Oct.-April)
Sunday Mass 7 p.m. (May-Sept.)
Sunday Mass 8 & 11 a.m. (Year-round)
..... 9:15 a.m. (July-Aug.)
Sunday Family Bible Study/Shareing 9:30 a.m.
Daily Masses 9:30 a.m. Wednesday & Friday
Daily Worship
Sacrament of Reconciliation, one hour prior to Saturday Vigil Mass, or by appt.

Calvary Baptist Church
Dr. Robert Barnett, Pastor
M-72 West
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Worship Service 10:30 a.m.
Evening Worship 6 p.m.
Mid-Week Services
Prayer & Awaize Club (Wed) ... 7 p.m.

Church of Christ
Gordon French Mueller
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275-8613
Sunday Classes & Worship 10:45 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Wednesday
Mid-week Bible Study 7 p.m.

Bear Lake Christian
M-72 & East Bear Lake Rd.
Sunday School 9 a.m.
Sunday Service 10 a.m.

The Church of Christ with the Eliza Message
Pastor Debra E. Weaver
7662 Kelly Ave. - Frederic
Sunday Worship 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 7 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service 7 p.m.

Abundant Life Tabernacle
Pastor Lyle Stader
211 Shalimburger St.
Grayling, Mich.
Sunday Morning 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Night 6 p.m.
Wednesday Evening 7 p.m.

Grayling Baptist Church
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Pastor Terry Cobby
Meeting at 501 Michigan Avenue
(517) 348-2557
Sunday Bible Study 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship 11 a.m.
Evening Worship 6 p.m.
Wednesday Services 7 p.m.

Lovells Chapel
Pastor Rev. D. Dean Courney
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Chapel Service 11 a.m.
Wednesday Prayer Meeting 7-8 p.m.

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Morning Service 11 a.m.
Evening Service 6 p.m.
Prayer Meeting (Wednesday) 7 p.m.

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Rev. Paul Boerger, Pastor
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Sunday School 9 a.m.
Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m.
Tuesday Weekday School 5 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study 9 a.m.
Thursday Women's Bible Study 9 a.m.
Thursday Men's Promise Keepers Study 7 p.m.

St. Francis' Episcopal
Rev. Robert Henley
M-72 West-Office 348-5850
Sunday Holy Eucharist
..... 8:30 & 10:30 a.m.
..... 10:30 a.m.
Morning Prayer
(The second Sunday of each month)
Adult Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Children's Sunday School 10:30 a.m.
Sunday nursery provided 10:30 a.m.
Adult Choral Practice (Monday) 6 p.m.

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OBITUARIES

Charles Piper

Charles D. Piper, 86, of Hilton Head Island, South Carolina, died recently at the Hilton Head Hospital.

He was a native of Chicago, Illinois. He moved to Hilton Head Island in 1981 from Florida.

Mr. Piper was an executive with Bear Archery in Grayling, and retired in 1961.

Mr. Piper is survived by his wife, Winnifred Piper; a daughter, Holly and husband Charles Palmgren of Flossmoor, Illinois; a sister, Carol Piper of Fairfax, Virginia; two grandsons, Charles F. Jarrard, III and wife Geri, of Naperville, Illinois, and David S. Jarrard of Matteson, Illinois; and one great granddaughter, Kaysa Linnell Jarrard.

Services were private. In lieu of flowers, the family suggests that those who wish may make memorial contributions to the charity of their choice.

The Island Funeral Home, Hilton Head Island, South Carolina, was in charge of arrangements.

Fray Johnson

Fray I. Johnson, 81, of Grayling died Nov. 3, 1996.

She is survived by husband, Henry; daughter, Joyce and husband Richard Butler of Clarkston; daughter, Barbara Oates of Highland; and daughter, Judith and husband Charles McMichael of Clarkston. Also surviving are 11 grandchildren and 17 great grandchildren.

Funeral service was Wednesday, Nov. 6, at 1 p.m. at the Lewis E. Wint & Son Trust 100 Funeral Home in Clarkston with Pastor Robert D. Walters officiating.

Interment was in White Chapel Cemetery.

Card of thanks

Another season has come to a close for soccer and girls basketball. Many thanks to the following people and businesses that made it possible.

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Grayling Recreation Authority

Card of thanks

The Jim Bourrie family would like to express their appreciation to the EMS team for their prompt response, Art Clough of the Sheriff's Department for his professionalism, Derek McEvers for his guidance, Father Cawley for his words of comfort and that St. Mary's Ladies Club for their excellent lunch.

A special thanks to Tom Hunt for his uplifting eulogy and to Dawn Crowell for a fitting tribute to "Just Jim."

To all of Dad's friends, we value your words and expressions of consolation. His generosity, wit, laughter, sense of family and community will be greatly missed.

Kathy, Susan, Cheryl and families

Card of thanks

A big thank you to our community for your donations to the free clothing drive. Through your generous support in 1995 and 1996 so many people have been helped.

We are looking forward to next year. A very special thank you to my two daughters and my friends who were so helpful throughout the program.

Violet Kehr

Alan Michael Kohr

and

Alex Mitchell Kohr

Alan Michael and Alex Mitchell Kohr were stillborn Thursday, Oct. 24, 1996, in Medical Center Hospital, Odessa, Texas. Parents Brian and Debra Kohr are of Odessa, Texas.

The boys are survived by one brother, James William Kohr; three sisters, Ruby Alma Kohr, Amber Dianne Hildreth, and DezzaRae Jewel Kohr. Also surviving are grandmother Julia Spivey of Kermit, Texas; Grandparents Alma Smith and Glen Ray of Odessa, Texas; and great-grandparents Maurice and Ruby Alma of Frederic.

The funeral was held on Oct. 26, 1996 at Sunset Heights Baptist Church in Odessa, Texas. "Old Rugged Cross" and "Amazing Grace" were played. The officiating clergyman was Reverend Jess Little.

Honorary pallbearers were: Justin Allen and Lee David Schreiber, Andrew James and Benjamin Joseph Hulbert, and Bradley James and Maurice Floyd Alma.

The burial was in Oakwood Cemetery in Frederic where the twins will rest beside their cousin Baby Charles Andrew. Graveside services were held Monday, Oct. 28, at 4:00 p.m., with Pastor Dale Hammond officiating. Local arrangements were made by Sorenson Funeral Home of Grayling.

Angela Kirkum

Angela A. Kirkum, 97, died Nov. 2, 1996, at Mercy Manor in Grayling.

She was born in Ray Centre on July 26, 1899, to Joseph and Anna Mary Dunn. On Dec. 8, 1917, she married Glynn Lynn Kirkum in Mt. Clemens. She lived in Grayling for 21 years, moving here from New Baltimore. She and her husband owned Maintenance Co.

Mrs. Kirkum was a homemaker, and member of: St. Mary's Catholic Church in Grayling; St. Mary's Catholic Christian Women's Club; Grayling Lioness Club; and Mercy Hospital Auxiliary.

She is survived by: two sons, Orlo E. and wife Helen Kirkum of Chesterfield, and Mark W. and wife Bernetta Kirkum of Marco Island, Florida; one daughter, Marie and husband Bob Prause of Grayling; one daughter-in-law, Dolores and husband Leonard Matz of Chesterfield; one sister, Mary Kelly of Portland, Oregon, 19 grandchildren; 47 great grandchildren; and 15 great great grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband Glenn in 1972; daughter, Kathleen Ross; sons Karl and Lester Kirkum; grandsons Jerry Kirkum and Dennis Ross.

The funeral was held Tuesday, Nov. 5, at 11 a.m. at the Catholic Church in Grayling. Reverend Robert Nalley officiated. Burial was at St. Mary's Cemetery in New Baltimore at 2 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 6.

The family suggests memorials to Mercy Manor Van Fund.

Arrangements were made by Sorenson Funeral Home, McEvers Chapel, Grayling.

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6th Grade

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Kenneth Heinlein

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6th Grade

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Matthew Curtis

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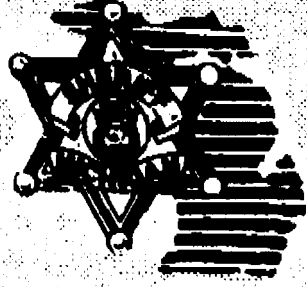
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Civil (11), Suspicious Situation (19), Lost/Found Property (3), Suicide (1), Missing Person (1) and General Non-Criminal (45).

For the third quarter (July, August and September) the Sheriff's Department handled 1,765 total cases, made 84 arrests, wrote 420 tickets and handled 142 accidents.

FREDERIC LIBRARY NEWS

The Summer Reading Program party was held on Sept. 25, with 19 children present.

The group played pin-the-tail-on-the-donkey, musical chairs, and the clothes pin game. Winners were Gary Spicer, Chrystal Eichler, Lynn Johnston, Kristi Wargo, Penny Rosin, Barbie Wargo, Rachel Spicer, Radel Rosin, Charity Evans, Jennifer Dean, Amber Evans, and Dougie Slater.

Everyone received a free book for participating in the Summer Reading Program. The participants had watermelon, cookies, and Kool-aid for their treats.

The Frederic Historical Society hung up the Frederic High School graduating class pictures in the library. The pictures used to hang in the old Frederic School. Interested persons should stop and look, because they might see someone they know.

Susan Smith, Paul and Pauline

Henion and the Fraternal Order of Eagles 3465 donated to the Richard W. Armstrong memorial. A memorial book was ordered in his memory and his name will be placed on the memorial plaque.

Anyone interested in donating to a memorial can send donations to the Frederic Community Library, P.O. Box 353, Frederic, Michigan 49733.

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DISTRICT COURT

Appearing before Judge Francis L. Walsh:

Larence Rudy Graham of Detroit, pled guilty to the charge of Fraud Withdrawal - \$500 Or Less and was fined \$210.

William Victor Brown of Bellville, pled guilty to the charge of Assault/Battery and was fined \$240.

William Cox of Frederic, pled guilty to the charge of Assault/Battery and was placed on one year probation with no fine.

William Victor Brown of Bellville, pled guilty to the charge of Impaired Driving and was fined \$540 and placed on six months probation.

Jeffery Lee Green of Grayling, pled guilty to the charge of Impaired Driving and was fined \$540 and placed on six months probation.

Ronald David Gildner of Grayling, pled guilty to the charge of Assault/Battery and was fined \$917.52 and placed on one year probation.

Albert Begin of Grayling, pled guilty to the charge of Att/Inndeep Defrauding and was fined \$110.

Ronald David Gildner of Grayling, pled guilty to the charge of OUIL/Per Se - Second Offense and was fined \$740, placed on one year probation, and was sentenced to 200 days in jail.

Robert Curtis Terry of Grayling,

pled guilty to the charge of License Suspended/Revoked and was fined \$360.

Simone Paulette Devriendt of Grayling, pled guilty to the charge of Impaired Driving and was fined \$540 and placed on six months probation.

Robert Leroy Fisher of Grayling, pled guilty to the charge of Disturbance Of The Peace and was sentenced to 14 days in jail.

Thomas Arthur Largent of Grayling, pled guilty to the charge of License Suspended/Revoked and was fined \$360.

Daniel Albert Barnett of Roscommon, pled guilty to the charge of License Suspended/Revoked and was fined \$360.

Debra Sue Dowland of Houghton Lake, pled guilty to the charge of Impaired Driving and was fined \$560 and placed on six months probation.

Jerry Lee Elekonich of Grayling, pled guilty to the charges of License Suspended/Revoked and Entered In Traffic Module and was fined \$360.

Joel Tyler Bukowski of Bay City, pled guilty to the charge of Indecent Exposure and was fined \$240 and placed on one year probation.

Melissa Oleta Lantz of Gaylord, pled guilty to the charge of Non Sufficient Funds U/\$50 and was fined \$185.43.

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Literary community to fight hunger problem

A national event which raises money in the fight against hunger a poverty also will hit close to home.

The Share Our Strength's fifth annual Writers Harvest: The National Reading, is the nation's largest literary benefit to fight hunger and poverty.

Share Our Strength distributes 100 percent of all event donations to local anti-hunger groups. In northern Michigan the recipient organization is the N.W. Gleaners Food Bank of Cadillac.

N.W. Gleaners Food Bank of Cadillac distributes food to more than 100 organizations in northwestern Michigan, including organizations in Roscommon, Crawford, Cadillac and Grand Traverse counties.

Local writers and bookstore owners are donating their time to organize the Saturday, Nov. 9 reading. The readings will mobilize the entire literary community to raise public awareness of the problems of hunger and poverty, while also raising needed funds for anti-hunger efforts.

In Traverse City authors will read from their works at Olesen Conference Center on Northwestern Michigan College's campuses. Additionally, in cities around the country, more than 500 Writers Harvest events will take place in bookstores, college campuses and community centers.

Some of the authors who will be reading from the works to fight hunger include Maya Angelou, John Grisham, David Guterson, Terry McMillan, Michael Chabon, John Updike and many other literary stars.

The event's national chair is Rita Dove, former Poet Laureate of the United States.

MAGISTRATE

Appearing before Magistrate Jean Callewart:

Michael Alan Busenbark of Grosse Isle, was fined \$45 for Boat-No Registration.

Kenneth Carl Rasmussen of Roscommon, was fined \$110 for Allow Fire Escape w/o Precaut.

Kenneth Carl Rasmussen of Roscommon, was fined \$110 for Imp Disposal Solid Waste.

Thomas Lee Garrett Jr. of Jonesville, was fined \$165 for Fleeing & Eluding - Other.

Thomas Lee Garrett Jr. of Jonesville, was fined \$85 for Operate ORV In Prohibited Area.

Dennis Karl Kaiser of Grayling, was fined \$110 for Vio. Solid Waste Mgmt Act.

Steven Michael Gildner of Grayling, was fined \$210 for Imp Disposal Solid Waste.

Thomas Joseph Rucinski of Redford, was fined \$60 for Enter Posted/Proh Area w/Auto.

Shawn Everett Vincent of Corunna, was fined \$50 for Operate ORV w/o Being Register.

Thomas Allen Mohrhardt of Eagle, was fined \$80 for Boat—Wake Law.

Tammy Sue Schulz of Leonard, was fined \$70 for Fish w/o Lic - Res or Non-Res.

David Richard Slater of Melvin, was fined \$85 for Operate ORV In Prohibited Area.

Harold Allan Rines of Morris, was fined \$85 for Operate ORV In Prohibited Area.

Ward Howard Smith of Midland, was fined \$75 for Undersized Fish.

Jason William Griffore of Saginaw, was fined \$85 for Operate ORV In Prohibited Area.

Douglas Allen Priest of Saginaw, was fined \$85 for Operate ORV In Prohibited Area.

Kenneth Clayton Halstead of Frederic, was fined \$80 for Littering/ Improper Disposal.

Gregory Herbert Owczarzak of Bay City, was fined \$70 for Fish w/o Lic - Res or Non-Res.

Jason Michael Durocher of Redford, was fined \$85 for Operate ORV In Prohibited Area.

Larry Allen Fyan of Roscommon, was fined \$85 for Operate ORV In Prohibited Area.

Christopher Mark Thom of Romeo, was fined \$85 for Operate ORV In Prohibited Area.

Brian Thomas Doyle of Warren, was fined \$85 for Operate ORV In Prohibited Area.

Jason Robert Klein of Sterling Heights, was fined \$85 for Operate ORV In Prohibited Area.

Steven Gale Everett of Taylor, was fined \$85 for Operate ORV In Prohibited Area.

Gordon Elliot Richards of St. Louis, was fined \$85 for Operate ORV In Prohibited Area.

Joe Robison of Midland, was fined \$45 for After Closing/Park Proh Area.

Juan Jose Valdez of Waterford, was fined \$60 for Fire Law (Burn w/o Permit).

Richard Arthur Schultz of Saginaw, was fined \$120 for Fail Have Name/ Add On Tree Stand.

William Kenneth Tompkins of Clark Lake, was fined \$90 for Trans Load/ Uncase Gun Veh/Boat.

Earl Ray Haviland of Roseville, was fined \$120 for Illegal Blind/Tree Stand.

Bruce Alan Spencer of Morrice, was fined \$85 for Operate ORV In Prohibited Area.

Edna Helton Wikman of Mio, was fined \$110 for M-Open Intox In Mtr Veh.

Edward Henry Hinkle of Mio, was fined \$110 for Trans Open Intox In Motor Veh.

Cynthia Ann Toomajan of Mio, was fined \$110 for Trans Open Intox In Motor Veh.

James Edward Witt of Rochester Hills, was fined \$85 for Unlawful Operation ORV On Hwy.

Edward Gerald Trader of Westland, was fined \$70 for Fish w/o Lic - Res or Non-Res.

Jeffrey Robert Muller of Rockford, was fined \$55 for Boat - No Life Preservers.

Martin Edward Klapac of Taylor, was fined \$85 for Operate ORV In Prohibited Area.

Thomas Peter Pfromper of Clinton Twp., was fined \$85 for Operate ORV In Prohibited Area.

Jeffrey Michael Andrews of Grayling, was fined \$120 for Wildlife Conservation Act.

Tracy Elroy Thorne of Frederic, was fined \$85 for Operate ORV In Prohibited Area.

Damon Albert Davis of Auburn Hills, was fined \$120 for Trans/Poss Strung Bow In Veh.

Mark Anthony Lalk of Elwell, was fined \$85 for Operate ORV In Prohibited Area.

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Thank you to all the businesses in Crawford County who donated to the Samantha Barnes Fundraiser. Any other donations are greatly accepted.

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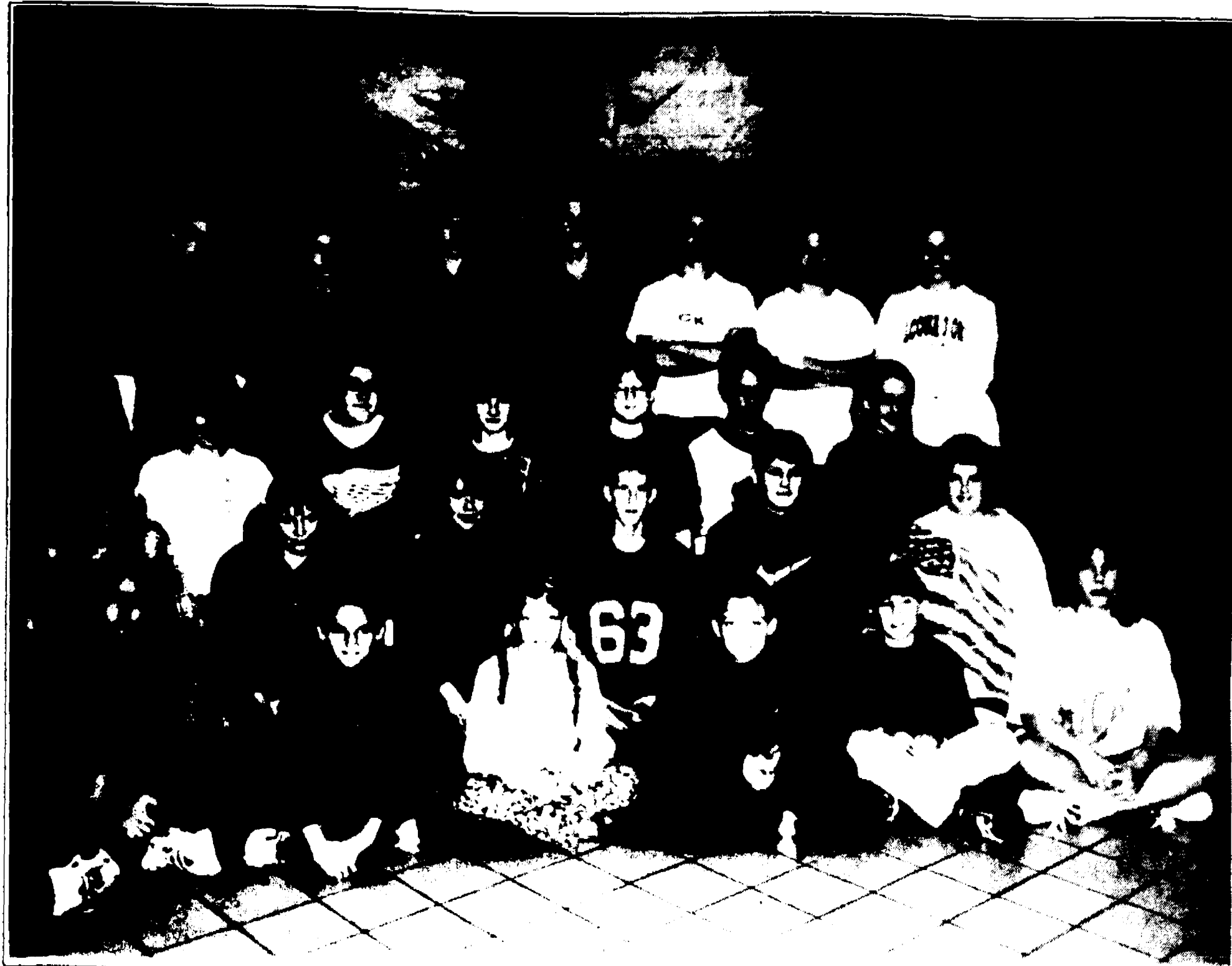
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STUDENTS OF THE MONTH -- The Students of the Month from Grayling Middle School are (front, from left) Mike Nisch, Chris Wooster, Charlotte Crossley, John McNamara, Travis Nelson and Nicole Starr. The second row (l-r) is Ryan Swope, Liberty Wilder, Tabatha LaChance, Ben Meinally, Chris McQuire and Coleman Payne. The third row (l-r) is Jamie Dent, Kim Ruley, Jenny Robbins, Nicole Marie Persing, A.J. Boardman and Alisha Carlisle. The fourth row (l-r) is Jason Hentkowski, Mike Demonies, Justin Manier, Justin Neuberger, Cameron McClain and Brandy Ritter. Not pictured is Todd Gafke, Richard Niederer and Nate Thompson.

Photo by Lisa Hoffman

DOODLES FROM THE TALL TIMBER

By Wendell L. Hoover, Park Interpreter, North Higgins Lake State Park

At a recent historically oriented festival the yellow-jackets were rather numerous to say the least. Not only were several reenactors stung, but several spectators were also stung. Most wasps, yellow-jackets are a part of that family, only want to be left

alone, but if they are disturbed they will sting. They are capable of stinging several times since they have no barbs such as those on the stinger of a honey bee.

At this time of the year the queens are produced and shortly after emer-

gence they mate. As the weather gets colder the queen burrows into the ground and spends the winter in hibernation. The remaining yellow-jackets in the old nest are killed by low temperatures. In April or May the hibernating queen awakens and starts to feed upon pollen and insects, such as house flies. The queen soon builds a nest with a few cells where the first eggs are laid and the first larvae are raised.

The first young produced are stunted females who will be the workers. The next larvae raised will be foragers who will bring nectar, pollen and insects to feed the increasing number of larvae. The queen now remains in the nest where she continues to lay eggs. By late summer there may be up to 5,000 yellow-jackets in a single nest. This is the reason most people start to have problems with yellow-jackets in late

summer, because as the population grows there are more guards. Honey bees for example may number to 40,000 or more in a hive. The yellow-jacket queen may build a new nest close to the old nest, but they usually do not reuse the old nest although they will salvage the paper like material from the old nest.

The control of yellow-jackets is difficult, but keeping the area around your yard or home clean of food residues helps. Yellow-jackets are quick to substitute our foods for what they would otherwise collect from nature.

Only if you are allergic to the sting is there a problem, otherwise expect some discomfort for several hours or even a day or two. The area around a sting may become inflamed and itchy, so it may be wise to apply your favored itch soother. It goes almost without saying to use caution when the yellow-jackets are out and about.

Area students to study with trumpet virtuoso

Area high school trumpet players will have the opportunity to polish their craft in a one-hour master class with trumpet virtuoso and jazz legend, Maynard Ferguson.

Between performances at Kirtland Community College's Kirtland Center for the Performing Arts on Saturday, Nov. 9, Ferguson will work individually with 15 area high school trumpet players exposing them to modern trends in jazz trumpet technique.

Event collaborators include high school band directors Dennis Ormsbee

from Grayling, Sandy Slezinski from Houghton Lake and David Coe from Ogemaw Heights. Kirtland Center for the Performing Arts Managing Director Ren Koenig coordinated the funding process.

Participants include: Erin Scott, Danielle McClain, Brooke Ginther, Amy Douerty, Jenny Ohsowski and Amanda Febey from Grayling; Peter Cook, Jessica Pearson, Sean Swider, Alan Blackney, Kristen Harvey and possibly one additional student from Houghton Lake; and Tracy Goodsell, Maurice Lidy and Ross Pennamin from Ogemaw Heights.

In addition to the master class, all 15 students will be provided with tickets to the 8 p.m. performance.

Tickets to both performances are still available. Persons interested in ticket information are to contact the Kirtland Ticket Office at 517-275-6777.

BITS OF TALK

By Fay Bovee

The Feldhauser School building on the corner of North Down River Road and Wakeley Bridge Road has taken on a new look -- it looks wonderful! The last time we saw it, it was in sad repair but a telephone call from a reader sent us down there to see that there must be some new owners who have painted and sided it, added something to the back of it and made it into a new place. What an improvement!

Carl and Rose Hatfield recently took a vacation to the City of Quebec and also through some of the New Hampshire and Vermont countryside.

Bill and Ruth Akers and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Brady, all of Phoenix, spent about five days visiting in the Grayling area. Bill came to attend the alumni banquet and on Sunday, Sept. 29, the family gathered at the Fern Duncan home for a potluck dinner.

Attending were Snooks and Marie Akers, Marybeth and Steve Miller and family, Larry Akers, John and Shirley Linendoll, all of Grayling, Rose Akers from Manton, her son and wife, Don and Carol Akers of Tusin and Rose's daughter and husband, Ann and Roy Foeger and their granddaughter, and Fern's daughter, Rhea, and daughter,

Christie of Kalamazoo.

A surprise birthday party was given in honor of Sally Wert on Saturday, Oct. 5, at the Shoppenagon Hotel. After enjoying a delicious dinner followed by a birthday cake decorated with a musical candle that played "Happy Birthday", Sally's grandson, David, age 11 (Gary's son) played "Happy Birthday" on his coronet for his grandmother.

Her daughter, Judy Keway, composed and read a memorable poem regarding her mother's life. Her children and several friends related humorous events in Sally's life.

Those in attendance were her daughter and husband, Judy and Chuck Keway of Fenton, her sons, Jerry and wife, Debbi, of Jackson, Glenn and Kay Wert and two children of Swartz Creek, Gary and Nancy Wert and two children of New Hudson, grandson, Mike, and his children of Fenton, plus two great grandsons, also many other friends.

Sally was totally surprised as it is very difficult to keep a secret from her. She has premonitions of any suspected gatherings by her family, but not this time.

SENIOR CITIZEN NEWS

By Jan Farley

Special thought for the week: For friends, family and acquaintances -- try to walk arm in arm with each other even if you don't see eye to eye.

Hope everyone had a chance to vote for the people of their choice and I must tell you what my grandmother said, years ago, when asked who she was going to vote for: "My vote is as private as my bath!"

Busy times at the Senior Center: November is here and you are invited to come as often as you can. If you haven't discovered the Senior Center yet, it's time you found out for yourselves how much fun the seniors have with the various activities and programs offered.

Stop by or give us a call if you have any questions, need help or just for fun! (308 Lawndale-- 348-7123 or toll-free 1-888-355-4500) Remember, if your life isn't becoming to you ... you should be coming to us!

Activities and happenings for Nov. 6 -- Commodities distributed at the

Free Methodist Church from 12:30 to 2 p.m. -- "BK" Bingo at 12:30 and Hangman at 5:30; on Nov. 7 -- our "Dear Hunter's" Ball at 5:30 with Tina Kennedy at the organ; Nov. 8 -- Hobby Club at 10 and Frederic Satellite at 11:30; Nov. 11 -- Dominoes at 5:30; Nov. 12 -- Yahtzee at 5:30; Nov. 13 -- Foot Clinic by appointment and COA Board meeting at 5:30; Nov. 15 -- Legal Help at 1:30; Nov. 17 -- Sunday Potluck at 4 p.m. Everyone is welcome to come and bring a dish to pass and your own table service.

Advanced note on our annual Thanksgiving dinner on Thursday, Nov. 21. We will be serving at 12:30 and again at 5 p.m. The requested donation from seniors is \$2 and the cost for those under 60 is \$3.50. There will be dancing in-between the dinners from 1:30 to 4:30. This arrangement gives people the option of eating before or after they dance and gives us the chance to seat everyone comfortably. Please call for reservations and specify which time you want to come, 517-

384-7123 or 1-888-355-4500.

Join us for meals: We serve at noon and 5 on Monday thru Thursday and at noon on Friday. Vegetable and fruit salad bar on Tuesday; soup served on Monday and Wednesday, and bread, juice and milk offered each meal. It really is the best deal in town; \$1.50 donation for seniors, and \$3.00 for those under 60. Please try to make a reservation if you can by calling 348-7123. Menus are subject to change without notice.

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7 -- Liver & Onions/Pot Roast
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12 -- Ham/Creamed Chicken
13 -- Roast Beef/Spaghetti and Meatballs
14 -- Pork Steak/Pepper Steak
15 -- Roast Chicken/no dinner

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These are voluntary positions and members serve without compensation. If you are interested in being considered for appointment to any of these positions, please contact the Northern Michigan Community Corrections Manager at (517) 732-3551, Ext. 16, or write a letter of interest to NMCCAB, P.O. Box 457, Gaylord, MI 49735.

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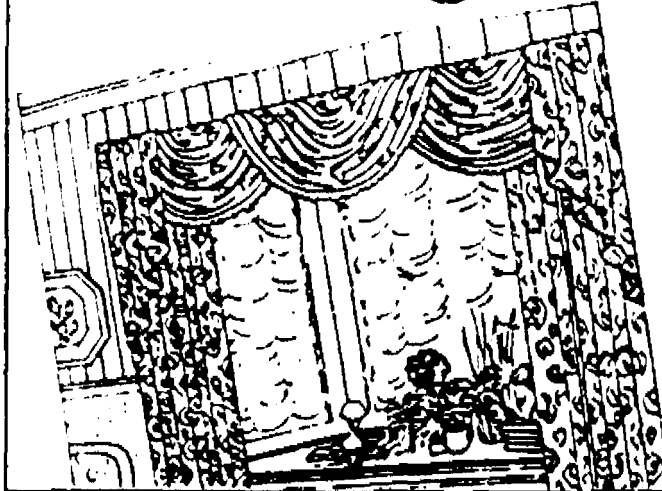
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A lot of divorced women don't realize it but they may be eligible for Social Security benefits even if they haven't worked very long. If you are at least 62 and were married for 10 years or more, you may be eligible for Social Security, even if your former husband isn't getting benefits yet. To find out more about Social Security for divorced women, call Social Security at 1-800-772-1213.



NEW PRIEST INSTALLED — The Rev. Robert Henley was installed as the new priest of the St. Francis Episcopal Church. Pictured, Henley goes over part of the installation service with Jessica Holzbauer, Acolyte for the ceremony.

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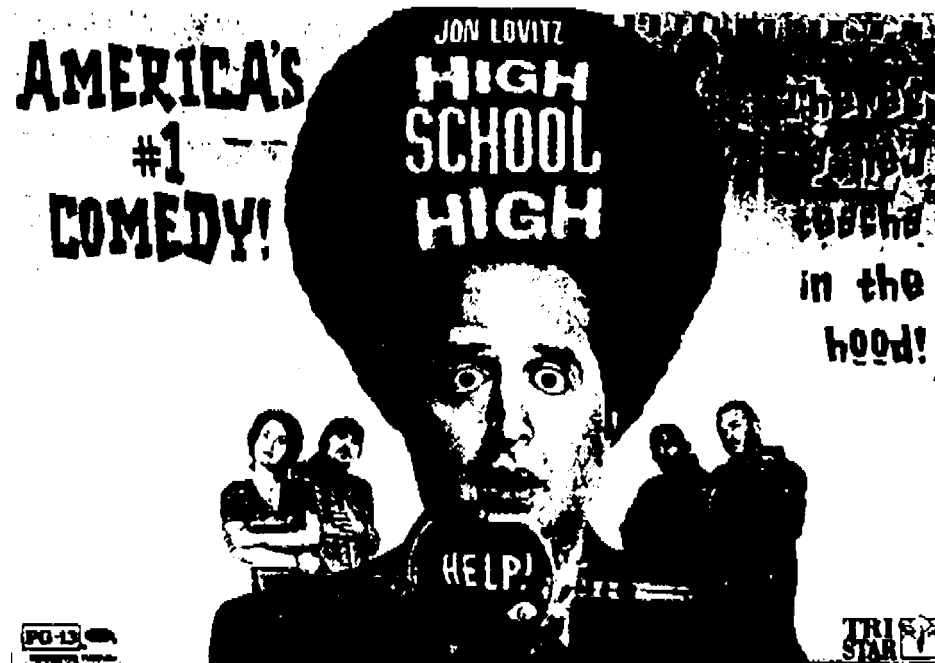
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RSVP HAPPENINGS

By Gloria Sanderson

Many RSVP volunteers and other seniors had a nice treat on Friday, Nov. 1. They were invited out to Shawano Center to judge the boys in their Halloween costumes and the pumpkins they had carved.

They were treated to a spaghetti dinner and treats. They then played Halloween bingo where there were homemade prizes by the youths.

The first Gingerbread House Festival is fast approaching. This event is being co-sponsored by RSVP, Mac's Drugs, and Timberview Village, Inc.

The edible enclave of miniature houses will crowd the front window of Mac's Drugstore at 122 Michigan Ave. in Grayling from Nov. 14 to Dec. 10.

The Grayling citizen architects(?) — from skilled pastry chefs to home-makers — will pool their Christmas spirit, imagination, and decorating skill to create one of the most beautiful gingerbread house displays in Northern Michigan.

You may vote best of show for your favorite and participate in the silent auction. On Dec. 11, the scene will be taken to the Senior Center for a

Christmas Tea and Auction that will be full of surprises galore!

This FUNdraiser is for the benefit of the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program. Anyone interested in entering the contest can contact Gloria at the RSVP office, 303 Lawndale, Grayling, or call 348-4341.



MERCY HOSTS CONFERENCE -- Mercy Hospital Auxiliary served as host and hostess to this year's Fall Education Seminar held October 3. The North Central District is comprised of area hospital auxiliaries from West Branch to the Straights. This year's theme for the conference, chose especially for Grayling, was "River Country."

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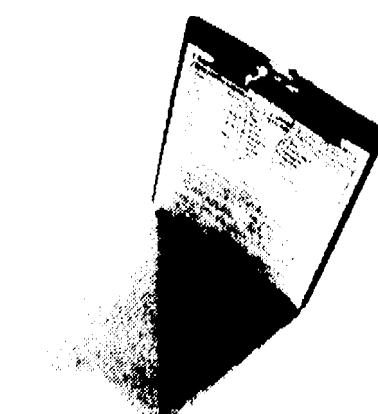
One fine Saturday, Empire Bank Teller Therese Kaiser dropped by her branch to visit a teller flying solo in the drive-through for the first time. All was well. Then, up drove a couple from downstate who wanted an Empire checking account for their weekends up here. (Smart couple.) Well, the lobby [Therese Kaiser] was closed and the couple nearly left empty-handed. Good thing Therese was around! She got the forms, toted a clipboard out to their car and signed them up. Said it felt just like her old job as a carhop. Therese didn't get a tip and the couple didn't get any fries. But it shows why Empire Bank is different!

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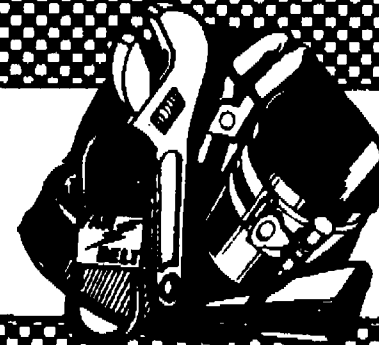


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Getting ready for winter driving: tips from the pros

Automotive breakdowns, always inconvenient, can be deadly in harsh winter weather — so it's wise to prepare in advance with a maintenance check. Even if you live in a region with mild winters, routine service represents time and money well spent — your car will last longer and run more efficiently.

The National Institute for Automotive Service Excellence (ASE), a non-profit organization that tests and certifies the competence of automotive repair technicians, offers the following tips on getting your vehicle ready for cold-weather driving.

• Motorists should read the owner's manual and get in the habit of following the manufacturer's recommended service schedules.

• Correct problems with hard starts, rough idling, stalling, etc. before cold weather sets in.

• Make certain the heater and defroster are in good working condition.

• Check battery strength with professional equipment at a repair facility.

• Inspect all lights and bulbs; replace burned out bulbs.

• Have the exhaust system examined for leaks; the trunk and floor boards

should be checked for small holes; exhaust fumes can be deadly.

• Check the condition of tires; don't drive on worn tires; make sure the spare is okay and the tire jack is in good working condition.

• Flush and refill the cooling system (radiator) every 24 months.

• Check condition and tightness of belts and hoses.

• Change oil and oil filter as specified in owner's manual.

• Check and replace, if necessary,

air, fuel, and other filters.

• Replace worn wiper blades and keep plenty of washer solvent on hand.

• Carry emergency gear such as boots, gloves, blankets, a flash light, flares, a small shovel, sand or cat litter, and tire chains. Keep a few "High-energy" snacks in the glove box.

• Know your limitations. Seek out a professional automotive technician for tasks you cannot perform yourself.

Can you and your car pass this cold-weather test?

A severe winter can be tough on a car. To be prepared for Mother Nature's worst, be aware of your car's needs. The Car Care Council offers a multiple-choice quiz on this timely topic.

1. For maximum protection, antifreeze mixture should be:
(a) half antifreeze, half water.
(b) pure antifreeze.
(c) 70% antifreeze, 30% water.

2. A common cause of damage to an automatic transmission is:
(a) driving too fast in second gear.
(b) excessively harsh use when stuck on ice or snow.
(c) too much city driving with the shift lever in Low.

3. A battery loses some of its power as the temperature drops. At 0°F it produces only:
(a) 80% of its original power.
(b) 50% of its original power.
(c) 40% of its original power.

4. When the sun goes down the chances of being involved in a fatal accident increase by:
(a) 100%.
(b) 200%.
(c) 400%.

5. The best grade of oil to use in your car is:
(a) the type recommended in the owner's manual.
(b) the highest viscosity index available.
(c) any oil carrying an API rating.

Answers

1. (c) is correct. Although a 50/50 mixture will protect to -34°F, the 70% mixture will protect to -85°F. Do not use a stronger solution than that.

2. (b) is correct. Transmission shops report an increase in burned transmission components after a snowstorm due to drivers trying to "rock" out of snow drifts by rapidly shifting from Drive to Reverse. This can cause trouble by overheating the transmission.

3. (c) is correct. Even a strong battery produces only 40% of its power at 0°F, at which time the starter may need twice as much electrical power to start a cold engine.

4. (c) is correct. And the risk increases as driving conditions deteriorate. Driving after dark places extra demands on vehicles and their

drivers.
5. (a) is correct. Higher viscosity oil is thicker, which makes the engine harder to turn over in cold weather.

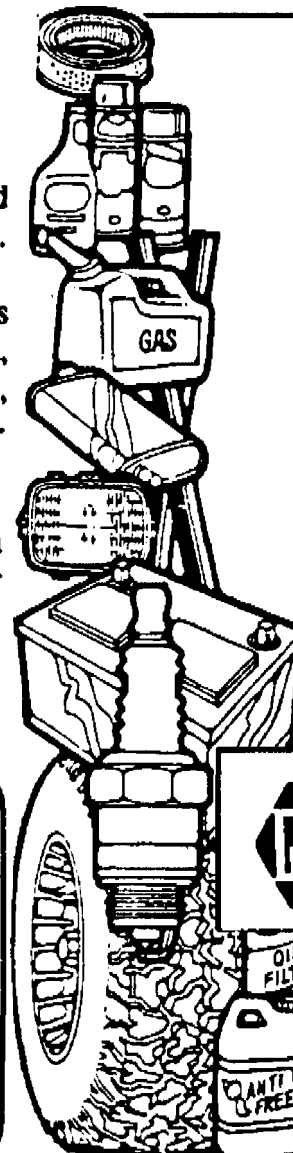
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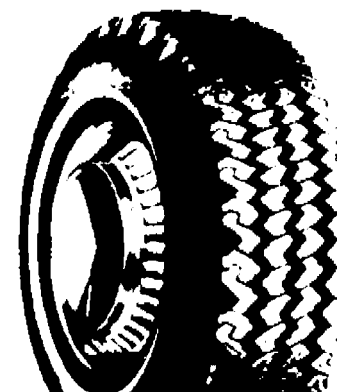
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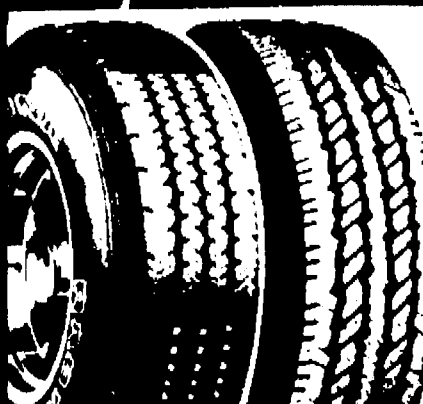
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- Two steel belts for durability.
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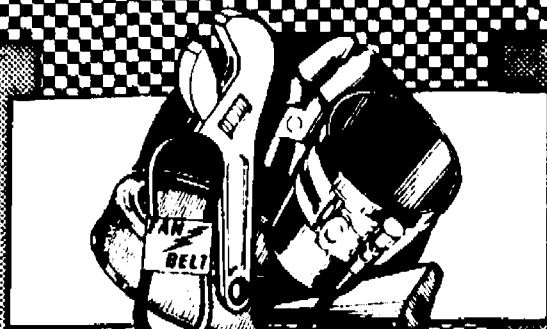
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The dos and don'ts for driving with ABS

Record numbers of Americans are driving cars equipped with anti-lock braking systems (ABS). Anti-lock brakes are designed to provide drivers with an increased safety advantage in many emergency stopping situations. With the demands of inclement driving conditions, it is more important than ever for drivers to understand how ABS works and how to use it properly.

The idea behind anti-lock brakes is simple. They are designed to prevent skidding and help drivers maintain steering control during an emergency braking situation. ABS eliminates the need to pump the brakes because ABS pumps automatically at a rate of up to 18 times per second whenever a sensor detects the start of wheel lock. Because the wheels are kept from locking up, the driver is able to better control the vehicle.

There are two kinds of anti-lock brakes: four-wheel and rear-wheel. Four-wheel ABS, found primarily on passenger cars and many newer light trucks, prevents wheel lock-up on all four wheels.

Rear-wheel ABS is found exclusively on light trucks and is designed to prevent only the rear wheels from locking up so that the vehicle doesn't skid sideways. It is important for drivers to understand the differences between four-wheel and rear-wheel ABS because it affects how they use their systems.

Here are the dos and don'ts for driving with ABS:

DO keep your foot on the brake. Maintain firm and continuous pressure on the brake while steering to enable four-wheel ABS to work properly. Avoid pumping the brake, even if the brake pedal is pulsating. In light trucks that are equipped with rear-wheel anti-lock brakes, however, the front wheels can still lock up the same as conventional brakes. If that happens, the driver should ease up on the brake pedal with just enough pressure to allow the front wheels to roll again so you can steer.

DO allow enough distance to stop. Follow three seconds or more behind vehicles when driving in good conditions. Allow more time if conditions are hazardous.

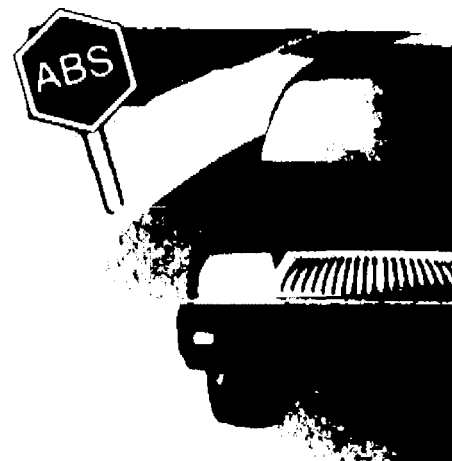
DO practice driving with ABS. Become accustomed to pulsations that occur in the brake pedal when ABS is activated. Empty parking lots or other open areas are excellent places to practice emergency stops.

DO consult the vehicle's owner's manual for additional driving instructions on ABS.

DO know the difference between four-wheel and rear-wheel ABS. Four-wheel ABS is generally found on passenger cars, and is designed to maintain steerability and directional

stability in emergency braking situations. Rear-wheel ABS, found exclusively on light trucks, is designed to maintain directional stability and prevent the vehicle from skidding sideways.

DON'T drive an ABS-equipped vehicle more aggressively than vehi-



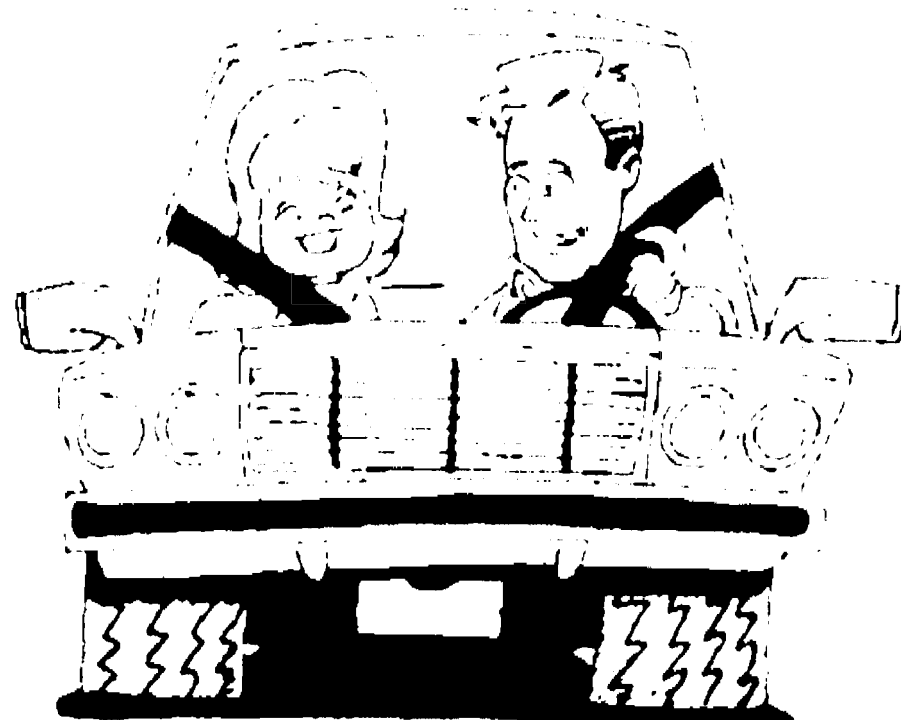
cles without ABS. Driving around curves faster, changing lanes abruptly or performing other aggressive steering maneuvers is neither appropriate nor safe with any vehicle.

DON'T pump the brakes. In four-wheel ABS-equipped vehicles, pumping the brakes turns the system on and off. ABS pumps the brakes for you automatically at a much faster rate and allows better steering control.

DON'T forget to steer. Four-wheel ABS enables drivers to steer in emergency braking situations, but the system itself does not steer.

DON'T be alarmed by mechanical noises and/or slight pedal pulsations while applying the brake in an ABS-equipped vehicle. These conditions are normal and let you know ABS is working.

Test your driving I.Q.



Is it safe to say you know a lot about driving safety? Taking this little test from the American Automobile Manufacturers Association and its members can help you tell.

1. If your car has air bags, you don't have to wear your safety belt.
 (a) True.
 (b) False.

2. In cars with passenger-side air bags, the best place for a child safety seat is in the front passenger seat.
 (a) True.
 (b) False.

3. If your car has anti-lock brakes, the best thing to do if it's raining and you skid is to:
 (a) pump the brakes.
 (b) keep your foot firmly on the brake, even though the pedal may vibrate.

(c) only hit the brakes once, then let the anti-lock brakes take over.

4. At 40 miles an hour the average minimum distance to keep between your car and the one in front of you is:
 (a) two car lengths.
 (b) three car lengths.
 (c) four car lengths.

Answers

1. (b) False. Airbags are meant to supplement the protection provided by safety belts and then only in moderate to severe frontal or near-frontal collisions. Safety belts help keep occupants in the car — ejection is the major cause of fatalities in car accidents — and reduce the severity of contact with the vehicle's interior and other occupants.

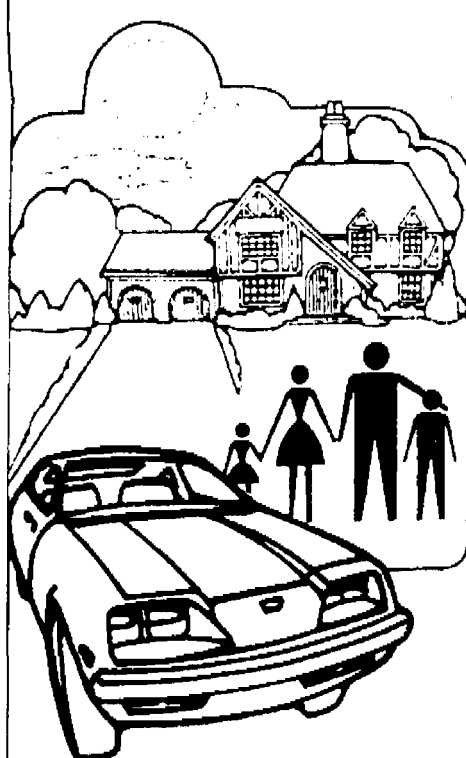
2. (b) False. Both the car owner's manual and the safety seat manual say it's always safer to put a child safety seat in the rear, regardless of whether the car has a passenger-side air bag. This is absolutely essential with a rear-facing infant seat. According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, "Research on the effectiveness of child safety seats has found them to reduce fatal injury by 69 percent for infants and 47 percent for toddlers." The child should use the safety seat until he or she weighs between 40 and 65 pounds, depending on the type of seat purchased.

3. (b) Keep your foot firmly on the brake, even though the pedal may vibrate, and steer the car. This pulsation is normal for anti-lock brakes. They can provide shorter controlled stopping distances on slick roads than most drivers can achieve without them.

4. (c) Four car lengths. The adequate space between you and the car in front should be one car length for each ten miles per hour. Allow longer following distance on slick roads or in bad weather.

Keep these answers in mind and you'll be better able to keep yourself and your car on the road to safety.

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Many cold-weather car problems are preventable

Basic car care and early preparation are the keys to safe and enjoyable cold-weather driving, according to the American Automobile Association.

"Winter breakdowns are more likely to occur when batteries are weak and when regular maintenance is neglected," said George Giek, managing director of AAA Automotive Services.

Based on a review of 27.5 million calls for emergency road service in 1995, AAA makes the following suggestions for avoiding winter-driving headaches.

• Have your vehicle thoroughly inspected. The engine oil, radiator, tires, battery and ignition system all must be in top condition to perform properly in cold weather. Windshield wipers, brakes, tires and exterior lights

also should be checked.

• Prepare a winter survival kit. Suggested items include: a flashlight, blankets, booster cables, a warning device (flares or reflective triangle), a small bag of abrasive material (sand or nonclumping cat litter), cloth or roll of paper towels and a small shovel.

• To prevent fuel line freeze-up and to avoid running out of gas in dangerous, cold conditions, keep your fuel tank at least half full.

• Before attempting to jump-start a vehicle, always consult your owner's manual for hook-up instructions and safety information.

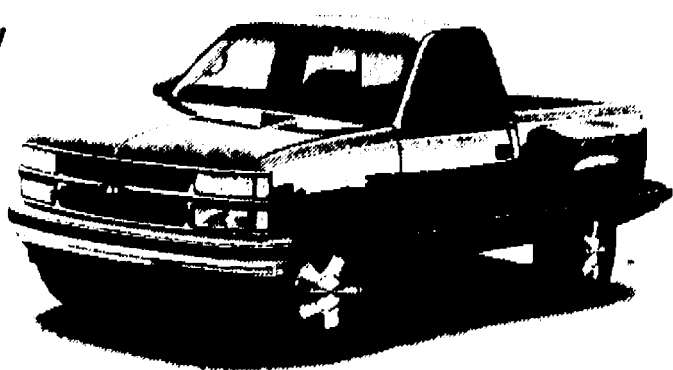
• Consider carrying a cellular phone or CB radio to summon assistance in case of an emergency.

"Vehicle failure is inconvenient any time of year, but roadside breakdowns in winter can quickly turn into dangerous situations," said Giek. "With careful preparation, however, cold-weather driving can be safe and enjoyable."

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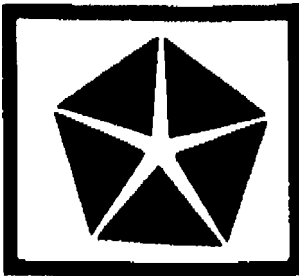
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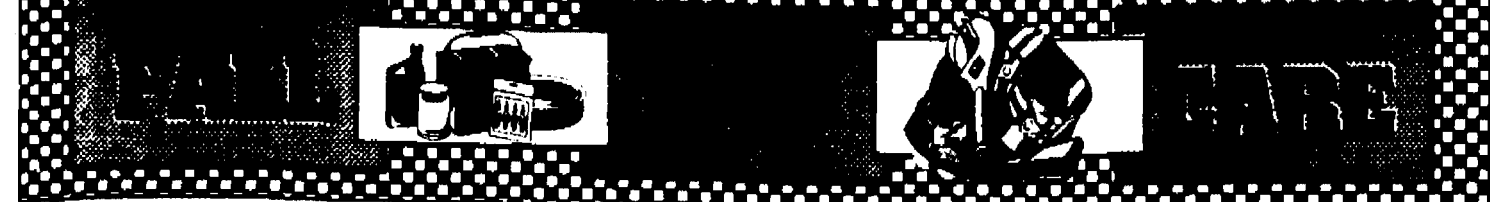
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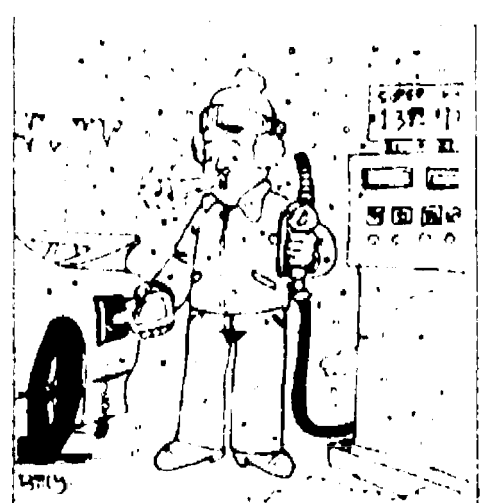
Cold-weather tip: Keep your fuel system clean

Review your car care checklist. Antifreeze. Battery. Oil change. Snow tires. When getting ready to drive through winter weather, most of us will remember those. But what about that high-precision fuel delivery system? The one where we've heard even microscopic particles of sediment or deposit can throw a wrench into the works. Maybe not.

Winter starting is challenging enough without allowing a dirty fuel system in the mix. Low temperatures can cut your battery's available power in half. Cold, thick oil puts more drag on an already stiff engine. Chilled gasoline, especially reformulated gasoline required by antipollution regulations in many areas, doesn't vaporize as readily for combustion.

If your fuel injectors or carburetor jets, valves and combustion chambers are fouled with deposits, you might have three strikes against you when you turn the key some frigid morning. Auto clubs and service organizations report up to 80 percent of wintertime service calls are for cars that won't start.

Stan Sprague, fuel and lubricants scientist with Slick 50 Technologies in Houston, Texas, notes modern fuel-injected engines are at extra risk from deposits caused by gasoline and combustion. "Dirty injectors may steam the fuel instead of misting it or may even become plugged," Sprague says. "Deposit buildup on the intake valves and in the combustion chambers



can cause trouble, too," he adds, "by actually absorbing some of the fuel needed for starting.

Many auto professionals now

recommend regular use of an advanced technology fuel system formula, especially during cold weather—even for motorists who use a detergent gasoline. That's because not all detergents and fuel additives are alike. "Some gasoline detergents and fuel injector additives create deposits on the valves or in the combustion chambers," Sprague warns. These older detergent formulas also use an oil carrier which thickens in the cold and can cause valve sticking.

New-generation, advanced deposit-control chemistries can actually remove built-up deposits from all parts of the fuel system and keep them off for several thousand miles. They also have much better cold-weather performance to help cold engines start easier and run smoother.

You'll find a wide range of formulations, potencies and prices on the shelf. Many still use less expensive, older technology from the 1950s that can cause deposits. As a rule of thumb, look for a reputable brand and expect to pay about ten dollars for fully concentrated, new-generation deposit control.

Finding good mechanic important in high-tech times

Fall is the perfect time to undo the damage done by summer driving and to get ready for the rigors of winter driving ahead.

But given the complexity of today's vehicles, many motorists, including former do-it-yourselfers, are looking for professional technicians as "tune-ups" have become "engine performance diagnoses" and on-board computer systems, electronic climate control, anti-lock brakes, digital dash boards and other advanced systems grow popular.

The following tips from the National Institute for Automotive Service (ASE) should make finding a qualified automotive technician easier.

Ask a number of friends or business associates if they can recommend someone; a consensus is usually more reliable than counting solely on one person's judgment.

Be sure to call the local Better Business Bureau or consumer organization and inquire about the reputation of the place of business in question. Look for a relatively neat, well-organized facility with up-to-date equipment and polite service personnel willing to take the time to discuss your repairs. Policies concerning diagnostic fees, labor rates, guarantees and other policies should be posted.

Check around for an auto technician certified by the nonprofit National Institute for Automotive Service Excellence. ASE certifies automotive technicians by means of nationally administered tests. Technicians voluntarily take these competency exams in from one to eight automobile specialties, such as engine repair or brakes. There are also exams for medium/heavy truck- and collision-repair technicians, engine machinists and parts specialists.

Those who pass and fulfill the two-year work experience requirement are awarded ASE credentials attesting to their competency. The certified technicians are then eligible to wear the blue and white ASE shoulder insignia.

Not only are these credentials meaningful to the technician, they are reassuring to his employer and important to you. They are the extra

assurance that your technician knows his or her stuff. And all ASE-certified technicians must recertify every five years in order to remain current with technology and to stay in the program.

Currently, there are about 375,000 ASE-certified technicians across the country. Shops that employ these certified technicians often display the blue and white ASE outdoor sign and post their technicians' credentials in the customer service area.

Officials with the National Institute for Automotive Service Excellence remind motorists that their involvement is important, too. Among ASE's

recommendations:

- Read your owner's manual.
- Become familiar with the basic components and systems.
- Follow the manufacturer's service schedules.
- Make note of noises, unusual odors and changes in performance and handling.
- When describing your vehicle's problem(s), be concrete, but resist the temptation to diagnose.
- Have small problems repaired before they become major headaches.
- Keep good records.

Five tips on how to drive in snow

Snow. Whether you're driving to it on weekends for fun or through it during the week for work, the following tips from legendary off-road racing champion, Ivan "Ironman" Stewart, ease the challenge of driving in it.

One of the first tips is to always turn the steering wheel back and forth when driving in snow. Driving straight may cause you to dig into the snow, while the back and forth motion gives you improved grip and a better track to drive on. If you steer your vehicle back and forth you get better traction as opposed to driving straight and digging into the high center of the snow.

What are the best tires to use in the snow? While all-terrain tires provide adequate water channeling and better

traction in the snow than normal street tires, a good, designated snow tire is your best bet. Even a mud/snow combination tire won't provide as much traction.

When driving off-road in the snow, Stewart offers two more pieces of advice: Always carry a tow strap; and, if two or more vehicles are driving off-road, send one vehicle out ahead to test the depth of any undriven snow pack, thus, leaving another free to tow the "test" vehicle if it gets stranded in deep snow.

Stewart brings it all home in his fifth tip: Be smooth. The smooth application of throttle, steering and brakes helps maintain constant tire traction, contributing to enhanced vehicle control.



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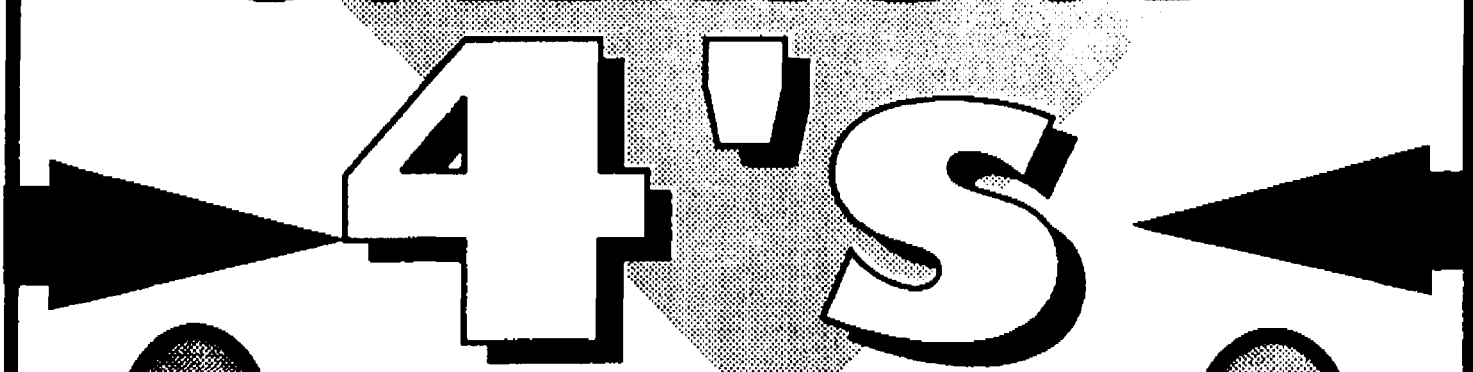
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"SHOWCASE FOR SENIORS" — Bob Rowe, a native of Battle Creek, was in Grayling recently to sing songs to the seniors at Mercy Manor. Rowe, who now lives in Kalamazoo and Nashville, Tennessee, presents his show by visiting nursing homes, senior centers, veterans' centers, and the developmentally disabled. Rowe plays guitar and sings a wide variety of songs, ranging from gospel to patriotic to folk and popular tunes of the 1920s and 1930s.

Photo by Jim Brinkman

Resource council presents CHS program

An introduction to the use of light hypnosis in stress management and healing modalities will be the intriguing topic for this month's

Crawford County Resource Council meeting, Tuesday, Nov. 12.

Presenter Anemari Stancil, clinical psychologist with a specialty in

gerontology, will also give an overview of the spectrum of services provided by Catholic Human Services. Stancil's recent position with the CHS as of August is not unfamiliar to her background.

"When I worked in Alabama," she states, "I traveled the rural areas where they had no clinicians or practitioners, so we took the services to the people instead of their coming to the big cities."

Stancil will be "riding the circuit" as she puts it, and cover a five county area — Crawford, Roscommon, Iosco, Oscoda and Ogemaw — providing counseling services to those in need.

The Crawford County Resource Council meets in the private dining room at Grayling Mercy Hospital every second Tuesday of the month from noon to 1:30 p.m. The meeting format is informal — a round robin gives representatives from the service organizations an opportunity to share new information and materials and to discuss their particular needs. Guests are welcome.

Snowmobile group elects leaders

The AuSable Valley Snowmobile Association, formerly the Greater Grayling Snowmobile Association, has prepared for the upcoming season by electing its board of directors.

Rich Filley was elected by the board members as the new association president, taking over for Ken Riehle. Riehle's three-year term is set to expire.

Riehle will continue on the board of directors as past president.

Dennis Fyock was elected vice president of the group and Greg Williams will serve as the secretary/treasurer. Bill Smith is taking over management of the groomer.

The other board members who continue to contribute time to the association are Jerry Balmes, Neal Michal, Les Fouch and Bill Weaver.

It also was announced in the group's October newsletter that 10 snowmobilers graduated from a safety course. Fouch and Balmes instructed 10 young snowmobilers in the October 15-17 course.

The next general membership meeting for the AuSable Valley Snowmobile Association is Thursday, Nov. 7 at 7 p.m. The meetings are held at the Holiday Inn.

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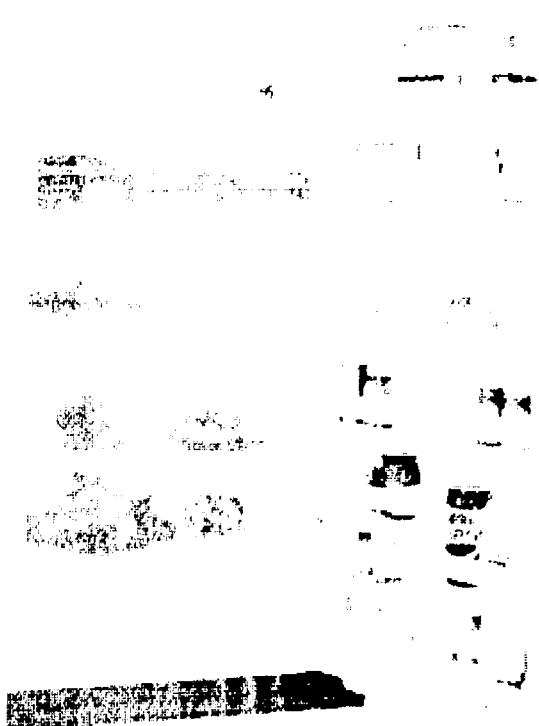
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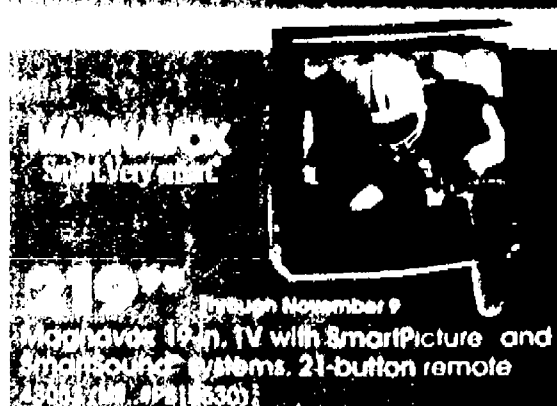
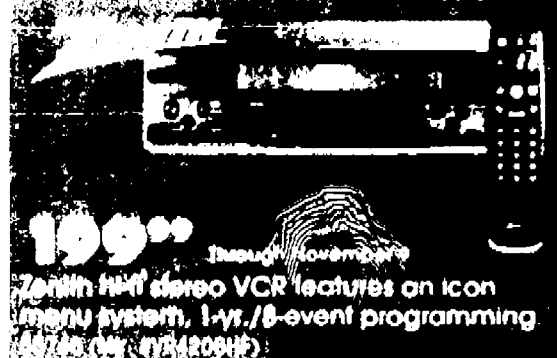


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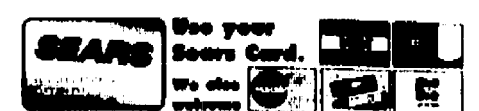
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Former POW recalls experiences

Crawford County resident Don Geiss, recalling events of 50 years ago, has had some unique, but unenviable, experiences.

For a number of months before VE Day (Victory-Europe) he was a prisoner of war.

One year ago, he decided to put his experiences down on paper and compiled a 20 page manuscript, "Barbed Wire Fences, Courtesy of Nazi Germany."

Geiss, 72, has resided in Crawford County for about 25 years. A media specialist for MSU and a journalist, he has contributed a number of articles to the Avalanche.

Geiss was a teenager when war broke out in Europe in September of 1939 and what was later to become World War II had a profound impact on his life.

Anticipating being caught up in the draft, Geiss volunteered and was sent to Camp Swift, Texas and the newly formed 97th Infantry Division, U.S. Army.

After a number of months stateside, he volunteered to join the 8th Infantry Division, which was headed overseas.

Geiss' unit landed in France a few weeks after D-Day, June 6, 1944. As events turned out, he was to spend only a few weeks in France and many months in Germany.

His company was hammered by German artillery while advancing across the French countryside. In retrospect, he thinks the battalion commander probably should have had the men "dig in."

In any event, Geiss' 200 man company had dwindled to about 16 when "orders came down to throw in our arms and surrender."

"Although we had been taught the arts of war, no one had ever instructed us on how to surrender," Geiss recalls.

The men simply waved their hands in the air and the Germans then waved them into their lines.

The Americans were moved back about 100 yards to an old barn, where they were relieved on their ammunition and searched. The men's captors indicated they should "lie low" to avoid stray bullets.

Meanwhile, Geiss had been injured by shrapnel just before capture. A German medic removed five of six pieces but the sixth fragment, in Geiss' heel, caused him considerable anguish during the men's trip to Germany and incarceration as prisoners of war.

The men had to march many miles and a number of evenings were spent in barns and such. Buses carried the captives across Paris and then the men were transferred to trucks and taken to a prison camp at Trier, Germany.

Geiss was only there for a few days. The men were soon transferred, again by truck, to a camp near Leipzig. This also proved to be only an interim stop and the men finally were taken to their permanent camp near Kustrin, Germany, east of Berlin.

The camp was spartan, to say the least. Black bread and turnips formed a basic part of the men's diet and meat was a rarity. During his months of imprisonment, Geiss' weight dropped

from 175 pounds to about 130.

Geiss relates the men were guarded by one Sgt. Shultz, who was known as "Shultzzy."

This man was part of the Home Guard, which largely consisted of older men, thus freeing up younger men for front-line duty.

Shultzzy was not terribly bright, and the men delighted in pulling tricks on him.

Geiss wrote the following in his manuscript:

"My favorite story about him involved a long line of men waiting to get to the bookshelves."

Shultzzy, on his regular rounds, was due to show up in the vicinity very shortly.

One of the men at the rear got the bright idea of teasing Shultzzy about supposedly losing his pistol. He walked a way up the line and told one of our men to ask him what had happened to his pistol.

He walked to the head of the line and told one of our men to ask Shultzzy the same question.

Now he, at the tail end, the man in the middle and the man at the front were spaced just far enough apart so that Shultzzy would realize none of the three would overhear the other when he asked Shultzzy the question 'what happened to your pistol?'

When Shultzzy arrived, the end man asked the question and Shultzzy laughed.

When he was opposite the man in the middle of the line and was asked the question, he began to look puzzled.

All of the men, of course, were alerted to the joke and were hard pressed not to start snickering.

Finally, when the man at the head of the line asked the question, Shultzzy became convinced that his pistol was missing and had to turn around, look down at his side and grip the holster with his hand.

Of course the pistol was still there and the men just howled with glee.

Schultzzy, at that point, turned red in anger, closed the bookroom and sent everyone back to the compound."

Geiss relates that their Schultz was much like the Sgt. Schultz of "Hogan's Heroes."

"Actually, there were a number of similarities between our camp and the fictional one in the TV series," says Geiss.

"We also had a clandestine radio, which we hid under a stove. An Italian prisoner had somehow arranged to get the radio into camp."

Knowing they weren't getting the truth about the course of the war from their own government, the guards gradually began to learn, via their own prisoners, the true course of the war, which was clearly going to result in eventual German defeat.

In the spring of 1945, the Germans attempted to evacuate the camp in the face of a Russian onslaught but the prisoners were "liberated" by the Soviets.

Many long weeks were to pass before the Americans were to be truly liberated.

They were shuttled all over central and eastern Europe before finally arriving in Odessa, U.S.S.R., where the men were taken aboard a British transport, the HMS Mariposa.

Geiss recalls that the Russians, though our allies, didn't treat the men much better than the Germans had. They were rough and coarse and obviously accustomed to privation.

"Russian soldiers accompanying us in reality were guards, for with rifle butts and barrels, they struck out at any of our men attempting to mix with civilians or civilians getting too close to our troops," Geiss relates.

A major change from German captivity, he recalls, was simply the substitution of rice for turnips as a dietary mainstay.

Finally, when in the hands of the British, there was plenty of food. Although it was overcooked and bland by American standards, no one complained.

The end of the war meant a return to home, at Cleveland, Ohio, for Geiss and a Purple Heart.

He enrolled at MSU, where he would earn a B.S. degree in Land and Water Conservation and then pursue an M.A. degree in Education specializing in Audio Visual Education.

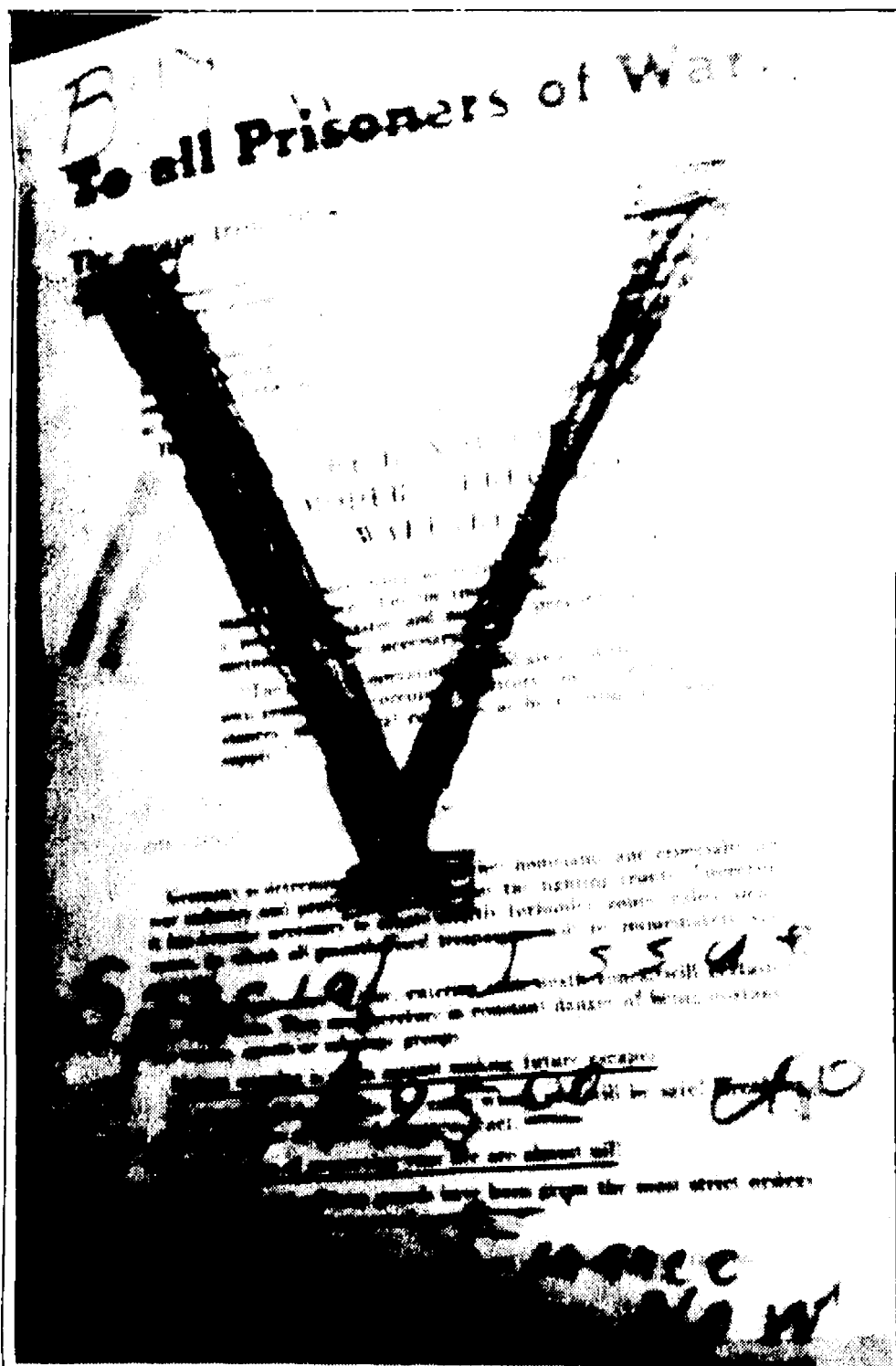


WORLD WAR II EXPERIENCES RECALLED -- Don Geiss thumbs through the manuscript he wrote one year ago. He spent only a few weeks training and fighting in Europe. He spent almost a year as a prisoner of war and was frequently moved about until finally boarding a British transport in mid-1945.



WORLD WAR II DISPLAY -- This exhibit at the Military Annex of the Grayling Historical Museum includes a number of half-century-old items. Don Geiss has made a number of contributions to the museum.

Photos by Jim Brinkman



FOR VICTORY -- American POWs in WWII wrote on top of this poster put up at a POW camp in Germany. Basically, the sign says "Escape from Camp is no longer a sporting event." In reading it, one receives the impression that the Germans might have tolerated the escapes except that some of the escapees were committing acts of sabotage! The sign is part of a prisoner of war exhibit at the Air Force Museum in Dayton, Ohio.

River group formed to share ideas

by Eric Gaertner
News Editor

A number of special-interest groups concerning the AuSable and Manistee rivers have come together to form one group — The AuSable/Manistee Roundtable.

The idea was to get the specific groups together in a combined setting to discuss common interests and differences about the use of the watershed.

The group has been meeting on and off since April. Jim Powers, president of the Upper Manistee River Association, and Steve Southard, a member of the Grayling AuSable Canoe Livery Association and AuSable River Property Owners Association, were two individuals who worked to get the roundtable group organized.

Representation and input is welcomed by all interested parties. The next meeting is planned for Dec. 12. Persons interested in attending should contact the Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce about details regarding time and place.

The group was formed to coordinate activities of numerous Grayling area river-user groups, including those with angling interests and canoeing interferences.

The groups represented include the Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce, AuSable Property Owners Association, Anglers of the AuSable, Upper Manistee River Association, Grayling AuSable Paddle Sports Association, Grayling Area Visitors Council, Trout Unlimited, AuSable-Manistee Guides Association and both river restoration efforts.

The roundtable members approved a mission statement. The statement reads, "The AuSable/Manistee Roundtable is a forum for citizen, river-user and watershed-interest groups, who have in common the protection and preservation of the upper AuSable and Manistee Watersheds, to provide for exchange and discussion of the various groups' ideas, opinions, plans and projects. The Roundtable will contribute to the development of consensus and coordination of cooperative efforts."

The group already has supported proposed water craft safety controls. The members are hopeful that these controls will become county-wide ordinances.

The watercraft safety controls mentioned in the proposed "Crawford County Watercraft Controls" designed by the roundtable include five major acts they would like prohibited.

These acts include the tying together or "rafting" of watercraft, possessing or transporting glass beverage containers and beer kegs, use of internal combustion motors rated in excess of 7-1/2 horsepower, use of motorized watercraft in off-limit areas, and operation of motorized watercraft, where permitted, in excess of a slow "no wake" speed.

In addition to sharing ideas and activities, the group's focus is on education.

"We are trying to encourage respect of our natural resources — both anglers and canoeists," Powers said.

The members also support the education of the watershed in the school system. Southard said the

school education would provide young people the respect for the watershed.

The roundtable still is relatively young in existence, but some members believe the group is headed in the right direction.

"It is still in its infancy," Southard said, "but so far so good. The roundtable provides an opportunity to discuss differences with people that do have an overriding common goal."

"The roundtable allows members to get things out in the open," said Bill Halliday, president of the George Mason Chapter of Trout Unlimited. "It allows people to work together for community growth."

The roundtable is a subcommittee of the Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce, and Executive Director Jerry Meyer has been involved with the group.

"Each group has different ideas," Meyer said, "but everyone realizes that protecting the resource is the most important thing."

Yearbook deadline fast approaching

By Nancy Lemmen
Special Writer

The deadline for turning in senior pictures for publication in the 1997 Grayling High School yearbook is approaching fast.

The SAGA Yearbook staff needs two wallet-size, vertical, head and shoulders pose, plain background color pictures from seniors by Friday, Nov. 22, in order for meet its deadline with the Herff-Jones Publishing Company.

Photos can be dropped off in Room 13 at the high school.

In order to meet the Nov. 22 deadline, seniors who haven't had their photos

taken yet should make appointments with professional photographers immediately.

All freshmen, sophomores and juniors should have had their photos taken in school on the morning of Thursday, Oct. 24.

If they did not have their photos taken, there is still an opportunity when Life Touch Studio returns to do retakes.

Even if students do not want to purchase picture packets, they should have their photos taken — at no cost — in order to be included in the 1997 yearbook.

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1996 Election Day is old news and the long awaited firearm deer season is coming on fast.

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CRAWFORD COUNTY SPORTS

Blue Devils stick Vikings with a loss

by Craig Hoffman
Sports Writer

The Grayling High School varsity football team ended its season and a long rivalry with a game against the Gaylord Blue Devils. The Vikings were defeated in the contest, 42-13, held at Ferguson Field on Friday, Nov. 1.

The Blue Devils struck first on their first possession of the game. The Blue Devils ran an effective attack of passing and running plays that led to a touchdown with 7:22 left in the first quarter.

The Vikings came back and marched down the field against the Blue Devil defense. The highlight was an 80-yard pass and run from Nathan Beckwith to Brad Ritter. Ritter was tackled on the Gaylord eight yard line.

Beckwith connected with David Sabin on a 12-yard pass for the Vikings first touchdown. The extra point was good and the score was tied 7-7.

This, unfortunately, was the last successful offensive drive until late in the fourth quarter for the Vikings.

The Blue Devils took their next possession and moved the ball down to the Viking 33. A nice play fake and pass to a wide open receiver gave the Blue Devils another touchdown. The extra point was successful and the Blue Devils led 14-0.

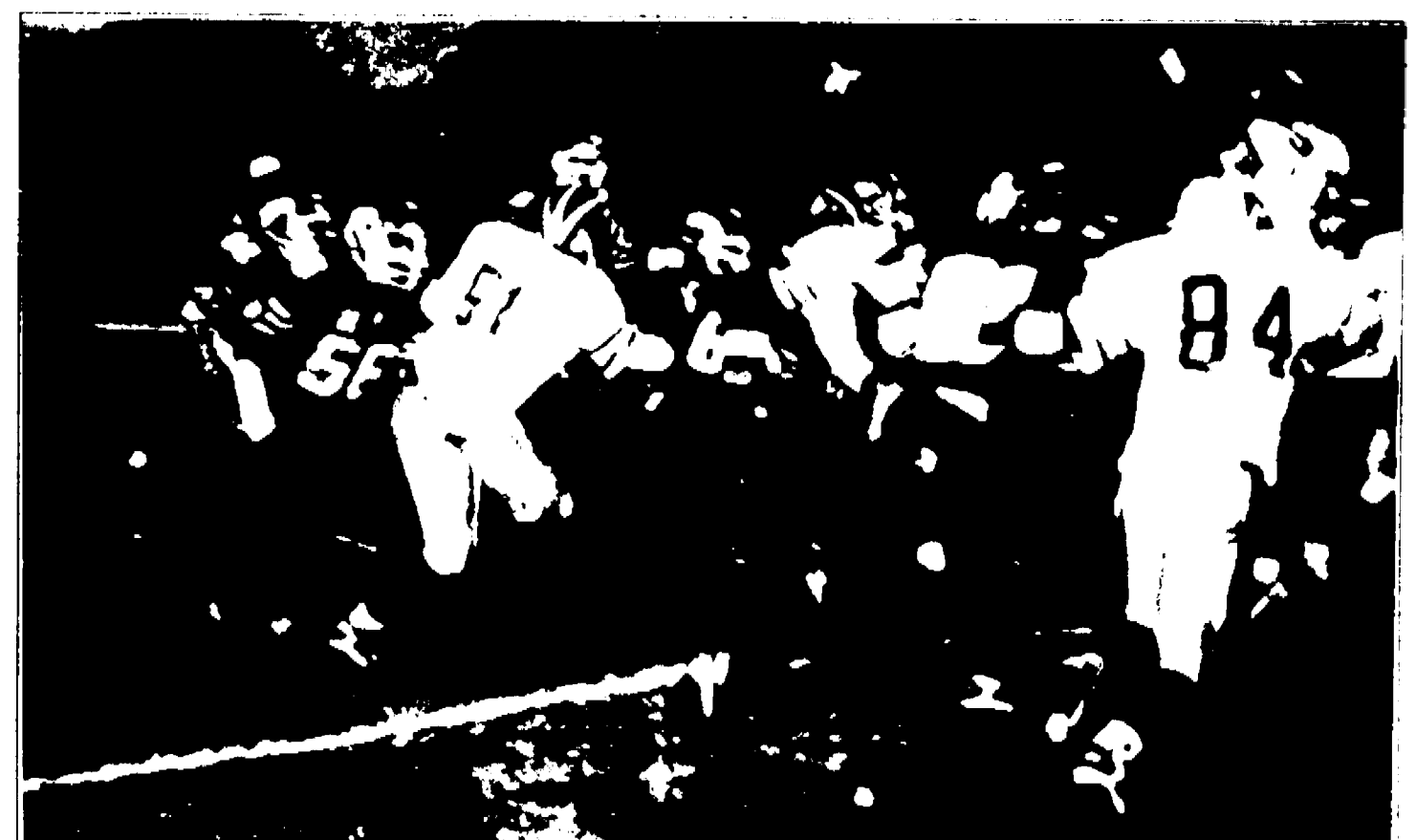
The Blue Devils stopped the Vikings and regained possession of the ball. The Gaylord running back broke free for a long run. There was a very apparent hold on a Viking player, but the penalty was not called and this gave the Blue Devils the field position to score their third touchdown on a short run.

The extra point was good to make the score 21-7 in favor of the Blue Devils.

The Vikings took their next possession, but were not successful moving the ball. On a third and 12, Beckwith's pass was intercepted by the Blue Devil defensive back and he was able to run it in for a touchdown.



PLAYING IN THE SNOW -- Members of the Grayling High School varsity football team score a touchdown on Friday night against the Gaylord Blue Devils. Photo by Craig Hoffman



AS THE SNOW FLIES -- Members of the Grayling High School varsity football team try to complete a pass during driving snow on Friday, Nov. 1. Photo by Craig Hoffman

The extra point was good and this pushed the score to 28-7 in favor of Gaylord.

The Vikings struggled on their next offensive possession and felt pressure trailing by 21.

The Vikings went for it on fourth and five with a fake punt. The pass was incomplete and the Blue Devils took over on downs on the Viking 27 yard line.

The Blue Devils took advantage of the field position and scored on a 38 yard pass. The extra point was good which made the score 35-7 and ended

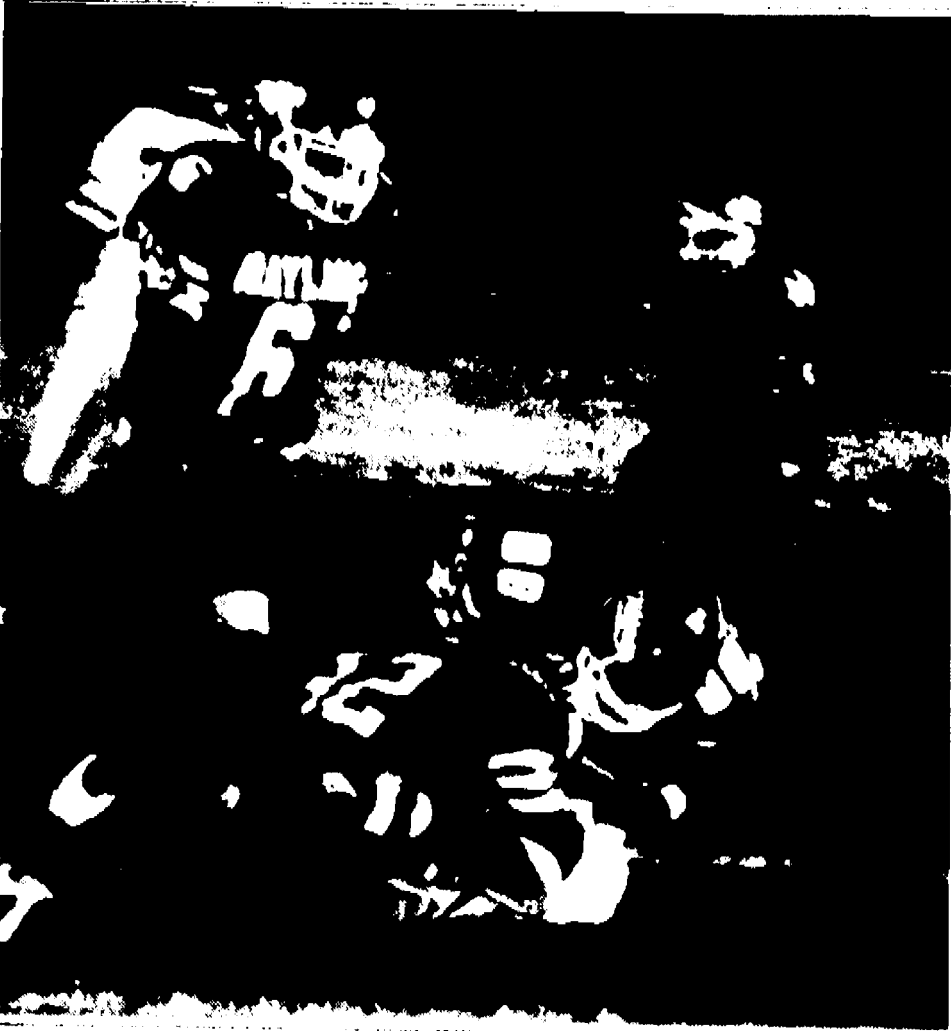
the half.

The Vikings did a better job on defense in the second half. They only allowed one touchdown in the fourth quarter.

The Vikings also scored on a touchdown run in the fourth quarter. The conversion attempt failed and the final score was 42-13.

"The kids played hard and bounced back from the Petoskey game. We moved the ball but couldn't score," said Grayling Head Coach Rodney

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TACKLING THE BLUE DEVILS -- Grayling High School varsity Vikings Aaron Perrin (88) and Isaac Tobin (82) pile on top of the Gaylord runner during Friday nights game. Photo by Craig Hoffman

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RUNNING FOR YARDS -- David Sabin (36), a member of the Grayling High School football team, gains yardage in a recent game. Photo by Craig Hoffman

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Viking sophomore Nathan Beckwith was chosen Viking of the Week for his hard work and output on offense and defense.

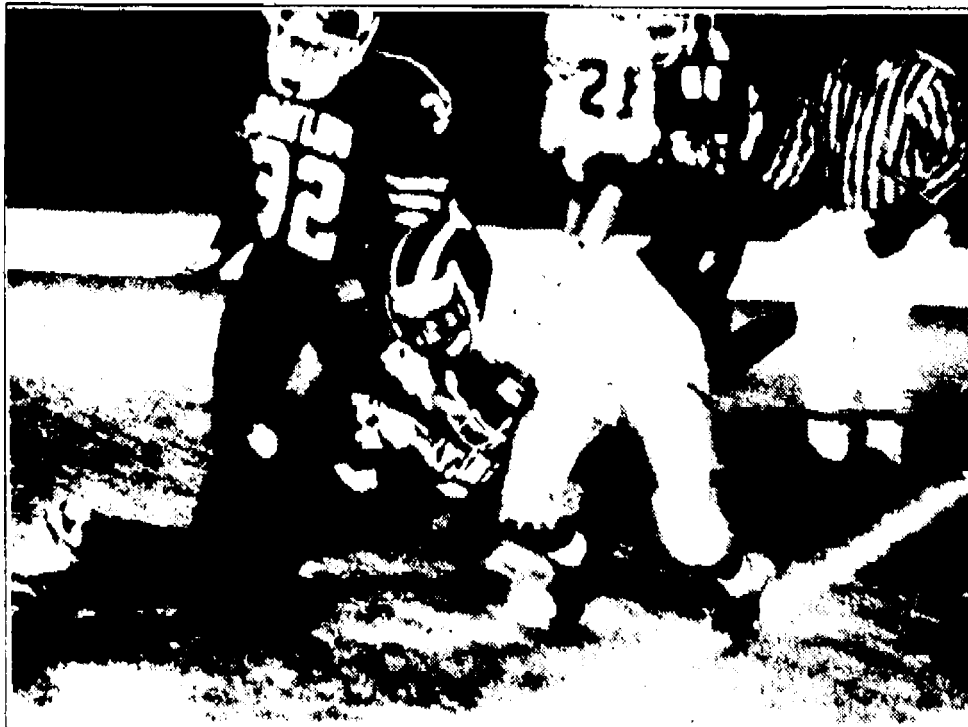
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LIFE IN A WATERGLOBE -- The Grayling High School football fans experience life in a waterglobe as they watch the final game of the season for the Grayling Vikings varsity football team. Photo by Craig Hofman



GAINING YARDAGE -- David Sabin (36) gains yardage for the Grayling Vikings during the teams loss to the Gaylord Blue Devils on Friday. Photo by Craig Hofman



OFFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE WEEK -- Nathan Beckwith, the offensive player of the week for the Grayling High School football team, shows off his defensive skills by tackling the Gaylord running back. Photo by Craig Hofman



CHEERING ON THE TEAM -- The Grayling High School varsity cheerleaders bundled up for the final football game of the season held on Friday, Nov. 1. The varsity cheerleaders are (front, from left) Mary Hibbard, Kim Crane, Vicky Carter and Jessie Becks. The middle row is Michelle Ledger (left) and Liz Anderson. Standing are Annie Becks (left) and Kelly Kiefer. Photo by Craig Hofman

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House of Cabarets	24	CSI	26-10	BCI	14-0
Rich's Cycle Service	22	Pioneer Hills Marine	22-14	Grayling Ford	6-2
Mullikin's	21	All Seasons Drywall	18-18	Moshier Auto Repair	6-2
Glen's	19	D.A.M.M.	18-18	Blankmen	5-3
Wakeley's Auto Parts	19	Us & Them	18-18	J's Motor Mall	4-4
Helsel Brothers	15	Computer Service	17-19	Airway Automation	3-5
R & M Masonry	15	Mac's Drugs	14-22	Jackson Trio	2-6
R. Callins & Sons	9	Robideau Cons.	11-25	Barber Construction	1-7
High Game: L. Dunningberg, 215; K. VanNuck and P. D'Amour, 199; M. Miller, 198.		Men's High Game: J. Thayer, 214; R. Kohring, 201; R. Hinds and D. Canfield, 201.		High Game: M. Sumner, 201; J. Robideau, 192; J. Golinick, 192.	
High Series: P. D'Amour, 549; L. Dunningberg, 499; T. Raybould and S. Romain, 491.		Men's High Series: D. Canfield, 547; J. Thayer, 546; G. Miller, 526.		High Series: J. Helsel, 628; A. Angove, 613; M. Keir, 597.	
Pioneer League		Triangle League			
Custom Interior	20-12	3=D's	6-2		
Chemical Bank	18-14	Grayling Ford	6-2		
Deb & Dale's	17-5-14-5	Moshier Auto Repair	5-3		
Avalanche	17-15	Blankmen	5-3		
Mullikin's	16-5-15-5	J's Motor Mall	4-4		
Aunt Betty's	15-17	Airway Automation	3-5		
Mercy Hospital	14-18	Jackson Trio	2-6		
Lady Slippers	10-22	Barber Construction	1-7		
High Game: J. Goudie, 198; E. Helsel, 191; M. Perez, 190.		High Game: M. Sumner, 201; J. Robideau, 192; J. Golinick, 192.			
High Series: M. Perez, 503; J. Goudie, 500; C. Jones, 497.		High Series: M. Moshier, 551; D. Henning, 549; M. Sumner, 531.			



National League		Senior Citizens League	
Forrest Bros.	28	Cornell's Realty	21-15
Breakers Steak House	21	Century "21" Realty	20-16
Budweiser	20	Mac's Drug Store	20-16
Corky's D.J. & Karaoke	20	Totten's Body Shop	18-5-17-5
Carquest	17-5	Buccilli's Pizza	18-5-17-5
Moore's Auto	15	Sylvester's Sports	17-19
City Environmental	13	Flowers by Josie	15-21
Guns & Grub	9-5	Baynham Wood Products	12-24
High Game: D. Henning, 210; M. Ashworth, 208; B. Palmer, 203.		Men's High Game: P. Mead, 211; J. Porter and O. Brantley, 178; D. Germain, 176.	
High Series: B. Palmer, 543; D. Henning, 541; J. Rasmussen, 529.		Men's High Series: P. Mead, 529; J. Porter, 525; D. Germain, 491.	
Friday Night Mixed Doubles		Women's High Game: R. Joyce, 188; M. Biron, 171; D. Mead, 166.	
Moshier Auto Repair	25-11	Women's High Series: R. Joyce, 471; L. Dandy, 466; P. Harris, 453.	
AJD Forest Products	24-12		
Tees-N-Such	19-5-16-5	Recreation League	
A Bulldog Towing	17-19	North Country R.V.	22-14
No Fear	16-20	Mickey Perez CPA	20-5-15-5
Advance Collision	15-5-20-5	Mark 8	20-16
Helsel Bros. Logging	14-22	Cornell's	18-18
Cedar Motel	13-23	Glen's Market	17-19
Men's High Game: R. Brush, 200; R. Schreiber, 189; D. Ray, 174.		Peterson Saw Service	16-20
Men's High Series: R. Brush and R. Schreiber, 496; L. Helsel, 495; D. Lozon, 476.		Fun-N-Sun Rental	15-5-20-5
Women's High Game: D. Mead, 193; M. Perez, 189; L. Dellar, 188.		Scheer Motors	15-21
Women's High Series: J. Hinds, 512; C. Ewon, 444; K. Moshier, 436.		High Game: D. Mead, 193; M. Perez, 189; L. Dellar, 188.	
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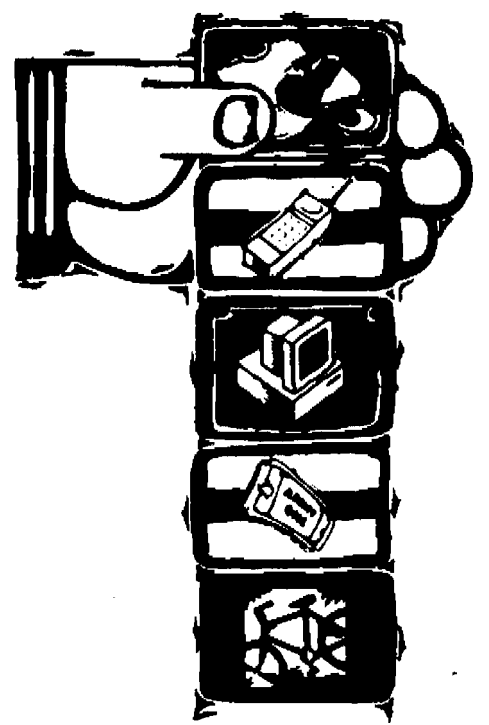
PUNTING IT AWAY -- Brad Ritter, a member of the Grayling High School football team, punts the ball away. Photo by Craig Hofman

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Freshmen keep gaining experience

By Craig Hofman
Sports Writer

The Grayling High School freshmen girls basketball team went 1-1 last week. The Vikings took on East Jordan on Monday, Oct. 28 and defeated them 32-19.

The game was close in the first half, but the Vikings were able to pull away in the second half.

The Viking defense came on in the second half and was the reason the Vikings pulled ahead.

"We had a good overall game. We tried new defensive ideas and they seemed to work," said Coach Jim Parker.

The team was led in scoring by Tanya Helsel with nine points. Sarah McGuire added six points. Sara Kenney, Katelyn Roshy and Megan Walker all had four points.

The Vikings then took on Houghton Lake on Wednesday, Oct. 30, but were not too successful. The Vikings were defeated 29-23.

"We played a good game. Last time we lost 45-20. We have really improved since the beginning of the year," said Coach Parker.

The Vikings lost the game in the last few minutes. Some fundamental errors cost them the game.

"Free throws were our downfall. We need to work on them," said Parker.

The Vikings were only 5-16 from the line.

Andrea Elmy led the Vikings in scoring with eight points. Tanya Helsel added five, and Sara Kenney scored four points.

The Vikings played Petoskey on Monday, Nov. 4 and Roscommon on Wednesday, Nov. 6. The freshmen play their last game of the season at home on Monday, Nov. 11 at 6 p.m.

JV Viking football ends on positive victory

By Craig Hofman
Sports Writer

The Grayling High School Vikings junior varsity football team traveled to Gaylord last Thursday, Oct. 31 and played in some scary weather. The Vikings were able to come away with a win over Gaylord 12-0.

Pete Mead and Jeremy Jones had a good day running the ball and the offensive line provided holes for the runners to go through the Gaylord defense.

The Vikings struck for points in the second quarter.

Their first score came when Eli Tobin ran in the touchdown from one yard out and put the Vikings up 6-0.

The Vikings then scored on a 45 yard fumble recovery and run by Mitch Kersey. The fumble was caused by Casey Helsel hitting the Gaylord quarterback. The Vikings led 12-0 and that is all they needed.

The weather affected both teams. Neither team completed a pass during the game.

The Vikings were helped out by Gaylord's 0-6 on fourth down attempts.

"We played hard and did a great job on defense. We have improved all year and this is a great way to end our season," said Coach Doug Pummell.

Cross country awarded for season

By Craig Hofman
Sports Writer

The Grayling High School cross country team held their end of the year banquet on Monday, Oct. 28 at Hanson Hills.

"The banquet honors all of the hard working participants in this year's cross country running team," said Daniel Pummell.

The most valuable runners for this year's team were Melanie McClain and Mickey McClain.

Most improved runners were Jared Medler and Danielle Weatherly.

The coaches award went to Brooke Ginther and Brad Larm.

Team captains were Brad Larm and Mike Marelich.

Fifteen runners ran the entire season and eight were given Super Viking t-shirts for never missing a practice or meet.

"I felt bad because four others only missed one practice, but I had to follow the rule I set from the beginning," said Pummell.

The cross country team ran an average of two times a week in meets and ran an average of 3.1 miles in each meet. According to coach Pummell the runners ran at least 20 miles a week for practice. A runner than ran the entire season without missing a practice or meet, ran approximately 312 miles over the entire season.

"We appreciated all of the support. The community and parents were great and we are looking forward to next year's competition," said Pummell.

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Red Barn	19
Breakers	18

Men's Pool League

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Red Barn II	22-14
Weyerhaeuser	21-15
Frogies	20-16
Frederic Inn I	18-18
Holiday Inn	17-19
Red Barn I	6-12
Breakers	11-25
Frederic Inn II	5-13

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OFFENSIVE DRIVE -- Sarah McGuire (52) and Andria Elmy (33) look to move the ball during a Grayling High School freshman basketball team game against Houghton Lake.

Photo by Craig Hofman

JV hits winning streak

By Craig Hofman
Sports Writer

The Grayling High School junior varsity girls basketball team had a great week going 2-0. The Vikings started out by defeating Kalkaska 59-36 on Tuesday, Oct. 29.

"We were defeated by them in the first game of the year and the team was excited and pumped up before the game," said head coach Chris Dunckley.

"We played an all around great game. The defense and offense picked up their effort and that was the difference between the first meeting and this one," said Dunckley.

The Vikings did an excellent job of rebounding and kept Kalkaska from getting second chances.

The Vikings went out on Thursday, Oct. 31 and pulled a trick on the Whittemore-Prescott Cardinals by pulling away in the fourth quarter to win 57-48.

"We may have taken them for granted. We pulled into a big lead, but it took a strong defensive effort in the fourth quarter to pull away for good," said Dunckley.

"We had another all around strong effort with everyone contributing in the scoring," said Dunckley.

Kathy Wyman led the team in scoring with 17 points.

"We are very pleased with the team's performance this year," said Dunckley.

The Vikings played Petoskey on Tuesday, Nov. 5 and then traveled to Rogers City on Thursday, Nov. 7.

Holiday Inn Viking of the week

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The entire cross-country team was chosen Viking of the Week for their great effort and improvement.

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TRYING TO SCORE -- Grayling High School varsity basketball player Nicole Craigie looks to shoot the ball and add two points to the Vikings score.

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Last Week's Winners:

1. Green Bay (46)	10. Seattle
2. N. Y. Giants	11. New England
3. Atlanta	12. Buffalo
4. Cincinnati	13. San Francisco
5. Philadelphia	14. Penn State
6. Pittsburgh	15. Iowa
7. San Diego	16. Nebraska
8. Chicago	17. CMU
9. Kansas City (27)	18. U of M (74)

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Game 17	_____	_____
Game 18	_____	_____

Tiebreaker 1 (total points scored in game 1) _____

Tiebreaker 2 (total points scored in game 18) _____

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2. One entry per person a week will be accepted. Crawford Co. Avalanche employees are not eligible.
3. Completed entry blanks must be returned to the Avalanche no later than 5 p.m. Friday before each week's games. Mailed entries must be postmarked no later than 5 p.m. Friday. Mail to Avalanche, PO Box 490, Grayling, MI, 49738.
4. Entries must be on an official entry blank as printed in the Avalanche. No purchase necessary to enter. Entry forms are available at the Avalanche office.
5. Winners may claim their prizes at the Avalanche office between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. weekdays. Identification and a social security number must be presented when claiming a prize.

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- *Two Super Gulp's & two large nachos--7-Eleven
- *Fire extinguisher--Jansen Insurance Agency
- *\$10 gift certificate--Grayling Glen's Market
- *\$10 gift certificate--Abel Auto Parts
- *Free hat--McLean's Ace Hardware
- *One free lunch, a \$6.95 value--Grayling Holiday Inn
- *Free lube, oil and filter--Scott McNamara Ford-Mercury, Inc.
- *\$50 from the Crawford County Avalanche

Overall Prizes

- *Free lube, oil & filter--Scheer Motors
- *Mystery gift--Sylvester's
- *\$25 gift certificate--Mac's Drugs
- *\$10 gift certificate--Grayling Glen's Market
- *Free lube, oil & filter--Don Nester
- *\$50 off any purchase--Abel Auto Parts
- *\$25 gift certificate--Grayling Red Barn
- *\$50 gift certificate--Comfort Center
- *Sunday brunch for two and swim room, a \$50 value--Grayling Holiday Inn
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2. Write the advertiser's name on entry form for game one. All the advertisers must be included.
3. Fill out rest of entry form this way including your three tie-breaker predictions (total points scored by both teams).
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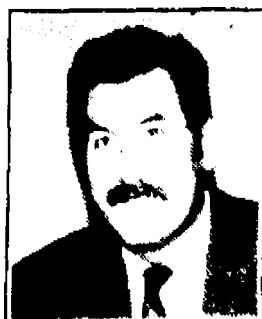
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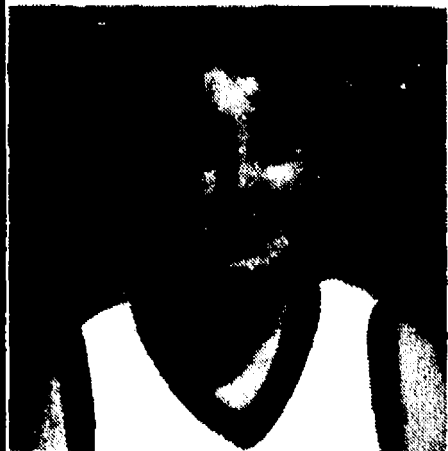
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WHOLE TEAMED -- The Grayling High School varsity basketball team blocks a Whittemore-Prescott player from offensively moving the ball.
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BLOCKED SHOT -- Members of the Grayling High School varsity basketball team block a Whittemore-Prescott shot during a recent game.
Photo by Craig Hofman

Grayling varsity girls struggle through a week of losses

by Craig Hofman
Sports Writer

The Grayling High School varsity girls basketball team had a tough week last week, with two losses.

The Vikings struggled after the first quarter of play to Kalkaska. Kalkaska won the game on Tuesday, Oct. 29, 83-55.

"We had a lackluster game and struggled defensively. We were not able to apply enough pressure to Kalkaska's perimeter shooters," Grayling Head Coach Tom Mills said.

The Vikings were led in scoring by Mary Dobry and Mandy Trudgeon who both scored 11 points.

"We had a tough game against a very good team and that cannot happen," Mills said.

The Vikings hosted Whittemore-Prescott on Thursday, Oct. 31, but were not able to come away with the victory. The Vikings lost 51-42.

"This is one we let get away. We missed on a lot of easy shots in the first quarter and this came back to haunt us," Mills said.

The Vikings played aggressive, but seemed to play too hard. Overplaying without getting the steal or other aggressive plays that usually help, ended up hurting the Vikings.

The Vikings struggled offensively in the second half. The Vikings could not get the ball to drop through the hoop and the Cardinals were able to stretch the lead.

"We lost the game on the free throw line. We have been shooting free throw's well, but we were only 4-12," Mills said.

"This was a disappointing loss for us," Mills said.

Amy Goslewski, Mary Dobry and Mandy Trudgeon all had eight points.

The Vikings travelled to Petoskey on Tuesday, Nov. 5. The Vikings visit Rogers City on Thursday, Nov. 7.

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THE LOOSE BALL DANCE -- Kristie Cadeau (32), a member of the Grayling High School varsity basketball team tries to keep the ball from going out of bounds during a recent game.
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Vikings soccer statistics presented

by Craig Hofman
Sports Writer

The individual statistics for the Grayling High School soccer team are as follows:

Pat Lamie - goalkeeper and field player - 115 saves, nine shots on goal, one assist and one goal;

Chip Mason - two saves in 13 games; Ravi Ramaswamy - two shots on goal and one goal;

Steve Corlew - one save, five shots on goal in 10 games; Colin Hunter - three saves, one shot on goal;

Eric Thompson - three saves, 14 shots, one assist and three goals; Ryan Gaffke - two saves; Kane Madsen - 10 saves; Dave Hawkins - goalkeeper and

fieldplayer - 157 saves, two shots on goal;

Brian McCurdy - goalkeeper and field player - 24 saves and one shot on goal;

Josh Niederer - seven saves; Mike Pappas - three saves, three shots on goal and one goal;

Josh Brannon - 12 saves and one shot on goal;

Jim Rankin - two shots on goal; Noah Nethers - three shots on goal, one assist and one goal.

"Everyone on the team gave 100 percent during games and are considered valuable members of the team," said coach Karen Langseth.

"It was a good year for building experience and teamwork. I look forward to working with these players again next year," Langseth said.

HEALTHLINE

Linda DeMarchis, M.A., Health Educator

This column is presented as a public service to the community by District Health Department No. 1. If you have any questions you would like to see answered send them to: Linda DeMarchis, District Health Department No. 1, 401 Lake St., Cadillac, MI 49601.

Question: I'm overweight and feel really out of shape. How can I begin getting some exercise?

Answer: Why not try a regular walking program? Walking, like all regular aerobic exercise, can help you lose weight, reduce stress, lower blood pressure, and generally improve your whole outlook on life. It's easy to do and can be just as effective as running with less stress on your bones and joints. With a little planning, walking can also become a pleasant social experience.

Now that the weather is cooling off, the outside temperature is ideal for beginning a walking program. Here are some helpful tips adapted from the "Light Style Newsletter" to help you start an exercise program, one step at a time.

• First, consult with your doctor before beginning this or any other program.

• Decide if you want to take along a friend for motivation, your favorite music, or do you want some quiet time for yourself. Friends and music can keep you moving and make walking much more fun.

• Wear loose clothing that won't restrict your movement. If the weather is warm, wear breathable fabrics that allow moisture to evaporate from your skin for cooling. Walk in the cooler times of the day, and drink plenty of fluids before and after your walk.

• Stretch before walking to allow your body to warm up and help prevent injuries.

• Walk with your back straight, chest up and shoulders back. Let your arms swing naturally at your sides. As you become more used to walking, you can emphasize the back and forth movements to increase your workout.

• Breathe normally and steadily. You should never feel out of breath and should be able to converse while walking.

• Invest in a comfortable, lightweight shoe that supports the arch and cushions the heel of your feet.

• Begin walking 3 or 4 days a week for 20 minutes each day (a real beginner at walking may need to start even more slowly). Gradually increase the frequency and duration of the exercise until by week four you are walking 5 days a week for 30-35 minutes. By week six, you should be walking five days a week for 40 minutes. Maintain a schedule of 5 days/week for 40 minutes or 4 days a week for 45 minutes. If at any time you feel dizzy, short of breath or uncomfortable, sit down and rest.

When cold weather arrives, check out what indoor walking facilities exist in your area such as schools, civic areas, shopping malls and fitness clubs. Keep at your new found exercise program. Day by day you'll look and feel better.



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V.F.W. Carl W. Borchers Auxiliary and Post will be doing the certification at St. Mary Catholic Church Community House, 702 Peninsular Avenue and for the senior citizens at the Senior Center, 308 Lawndale.

Anyone who receives food stamps, AFDC, SSI, Medicaid or GA is eligible for this program. Residents who feel that they should be in this program should bring proof of the gross income for every working person in the household and personal identification for the head of the household. Drivers license is preferable.

If a person's income is a direct deposit, then they should bring in their bank statement. A person having no income must bring in a statement from Social Services to that effect, or bring their eligibility card from any of the above mentioned programs.

Gross income refers to total cash

receipts before taxes. Eligibility is based on wages and salaries before any deductions; receipts from non-farm and farm self-employment; regular payments from social security, railroad retirement, unemployment compensation, strike benefits, veterans' benefits, public assistance including supplemental security income (SSI), training stipends, alimony, private pensions, government employee pensions, and regular insurance or annuity payments; and income from dividends, interest, rent, royalties, or periodic receipts from estates or trusts. Exempt incomes are capital gains, tax refunds, student loans, medicare premium deducted from social security and child support.

A household is a single individual or group of related or non-related individuals, an immediate family or extended family who are living as one economic unit and for whom food is customarily purchased and prepared in common.

Food products and funding are made available to the states on the basis of the number of persons unemployed and those below the poverty level.

Film series continues November 14

The 24th season of travel and adventure continues Thursday, Nov. 14, at 7:30 p.m., when Ed Lark takes

the audience to places few of them would have the chance to see in their lifetime.

Ed Lark's film, "America's Favorite Places," is one of the five remaining shows to be held in the Joseph Stripe Auditorium at Grayling High School.

Tickets for the remaining shows are available through the Community Education Box Office at 403 Michigan Avenue or from any Grayling Kiwanis Club member. Tickets also are available at the door.

Lark's photography has earned him the reputation as a perfectionist with a camera, and his personable approach has made him popular with groups of all ages.

Lark's film will give residents the opportunity of enjoying, vicariously, about 20 of America's popular vacation spots.

The first reel of the film features such highlight locations as the White House, Disney World and Epcot Center, Williamsburg, Virginia, Niagara Falls, Mississippi River, New Orleans, Mount Rushmore, Yellowstone Park and the Grand Tetons.

The second film reel continues the journey to such places as Bryce National Park, Las Vegas, Grand Canyon, San Francisco, Yosemite National Park and Hawaii.

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At the October 3, 1996 regular meeting of The Board of County Road Commissioners, for the County of Crawford, the hearing date of November 14, 1996 was set to determine seasonal road designations.

"Seasonal road" means a county road, or a portion thereof, which, during the months of November through April has minimal use by motor vehicles, does not provide sole access to a building which is used as a principal residence during the months of November through April, and is not normally maintained or snowplowed by the county road commission during the months of November through April. A county road which is designated as a seasonal road in accordance with the provisions of Act No. 51 of the Public Acts of 1951 and these roads may not be open to public travel during the months of November through April.

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Donnybrook (between Bradford Dr and Greenway)
Hazelwood Ln (between Twin Peaks Rd and Parkside Dr)
Howes Lake Rd (3/4 mile South of Batterson Rd to Camp Shawano)
Lindenwood (between Twin Peaks Rd and Greenway)
Maple Forest (between Twin Peaks Rd and Parkside Dr)
Meadow Lark (between Bradford Dr and Greenway)
Mt. Frederic (between Koika Creek and Manistee River Rd)
Parallel Trail (between Goose Creek Rd and Royal Coachman)
Partridge (between Bradford Dr and Greenway)
Pollack Bridge Rd (between Howes Lake Rd and S. AuSable Trail)
Royal Coachman Dr (from Goose Creek to end)
Roxbury (between Bradford Dr and Greenway)
Twin Peaks Rd (between Parkside Dr and Maple Forest Rd)
Tower Hill (between Manistee and County Rd 612)
Winter Port (between Roxbury and Maple Forest Rd)

LOVELLS TOWNSHIP

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Jones Lake Rd (between County Road 612 and Lewiston Grade Rd)
K. P. Truck trail (between County Road 612 and Lonesome Lake Rd)
Key Phye Trail (between County Road 612 and the end)
Kinny Rd (3/4 mile North to end)
Lonesome Lake Rd (Between County Road 612 and the County Line)
M. B. Extension (between County Road 612 and Walsh Rd)
Shupak Trail (between Jackpine Plains Rd and the County Line)
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Walsh Road (between Boondocks Rd and Townline Rd)

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Greenway (Donnybrook to the end)
Maple Forest Rd (ALL)
Marker Rd (1 mile E. of Sherman Rd to Bear Lake Rd)
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Peterson Rd (between County Road 612 and Townline Rd)
Roberts Rd (between 1/4 mile S. of County Road 612 and Townline Rd)
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WHAT'S MY FORTUNE — Debbie Mahaney of Grayling knows! She had lots of practice with her crystal ball as a fortune teller at the Grayling Middle School Haunted House during the Halloween season.

Package tourism for the 21st century

Northern Michigan must improve the packaging of area travel destinations if the region hopes to compete for tourism dollars in the 21st century.

Public and private experts repeated that warning often during the second annual Northern Lower Michigan Legislators' Conference on Tourism. The September event at Crystal Mountain Resort in Thompsonville gave state legislators and job providers an opportunity to share concerns and devise a blueprint for the future.

"Northern Michigan's travel industry has an excellent reputation, but it must start to think and plan regionally in the next few years," said Rep. Allen Lowe (R-Grayling), a conference organizer. "We must continue to explore the tremendous potential of agritourism, a growing industry that includes visits to pick-your-own farms, roadside stands, farm stays, fairs, and bed-and-breakfast."

Lowe recently sponsored two new laws that loosen the restrictions on meals served at bed-and-breakfast establishments. They permit bed-and-breakfasts with 10 or fewer rooms to serve breakfast, lunch and dinner. Before the Lowe measures, they were restricted to just a morning meal.

"This allows northern Michigan farmers to open their homes to guests as a source of much-needed income," Lowe said.

"The typical agricultural tourist wants a farm experience and is eager

to buy fresh food products. Farmers are selling services and an atmosphere for urban residents seeking outdoor relaxation. We must allow them to capitalize on the unique ideas, cultural attractions and homemade goods from their communities."

Michigan Travel Bureau Director Tom Altemus echoed Lowe's sentiments during a conference seminar on packaging northern Michigan.

"Michigan has the most diverse agricultural base outside of California," Altemus said.

But even with such natural advantages, the state still faces stiff competition.

"There is five times as much product as there was 10 years ago, and Michigan is losing market share," Altemus said.

Today's touring customers take shorter vacations and plan them about 21 days in advance. Thus, they seek more diversity and the convenience of one-stop shopping.

If northern Michigan properly packages its destinations, Altemus said both goals can be reached. But he believes tour operators and others are needed to put these products into the sales pipeline.

"Few tourists come to do one thing," he said. "Packaging can go across entire regions. We have to think across our borders."

That's why industry leaders at the state and local level are using the

Internet and other technology to push popular vacation activities like golfing, snowmobiling and diving.

Ken Ferrere, director of data networking for AT&T Michigan, said there are 9.5 million people nationwide with access to the Internet and half of them came online during the last year. Although this is a small amount of the total population, most are in the 25-45 age bracket with plenty of disposable income.

"Cyberspace enhances virtually every step of commerce from marketing to ordering to customer service," Ferrere said. "But careful strategic planning is essential to success."

Those plans also must include a thorough analysis of who is vacationing in northern Michigan and why. The lawmakers and business owners know much is at stake, considering tourism pumps more than \$8 billion annually into the state economy.

"That's almost a million dollars an hour, every day of the year," said Dee Clark Bodell, president of the Michigan Hotel, Motel and Resort Association, who moderated group discussions throughout the event.

"This region is full of promise if we plan carefully," Lowe said. "Thanks to industry leaders at the state and local level, we have shared important information on staying competitive in an era of massive changes."

Agreement reached

The United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) and agriculture officials in Brazil have reached an agreement on a certification process for apples, paving the way for Michigan growers to ship apples to the South American nation, announced Dr. Gordon Guyer, Director of the Michigan Department of Agriculture (MDA).

The certification process was developed by MDA, in cooperation with USDA, Michigan State University and members of the Michigan Apple Committee.

"This agreement is great news for Michigan growers and Michigan agriculture," said Guyer. "Through public-private partnerships, we are helping our growers and processors take advantage of current and emerging global opportunities."

Guyer said that those Michigan growers, who expect to ship apples to Brazil by mid-October must follow the "U.S.-Brazil Apple Certification Protocol." As part of the protocol, MDA inspectors will assist growers by reviewing grower spray records, regional or site specific trap records for apple maggot, verify the grower has registered with MDA, and thoroughly examine the fruit before issuing a phytosanitary certificate.

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LEGAL ACTION

RECORD OF
CITY COUNCIL
PROCEEDINGS
Meeting held on
October 14, 1996

I. Meeting called to order by Mayor Golinick at 7:30 p.m.

II. Members Present: Stevens, Golinick, Mosher, Akers, Ruddy

Members Absent: None

Also in Attendance: Jerry W. Morford, City Manager, Kay Ellen King, Norm Bancroft, Michele Butzin, 7 students, Eric Gaertner from the Avalanche, Judy Morford, Ron Hoes & Tim Neff from Custom Forest Products.

III. 96-96

Moved by Ruddy, supported by Akers that the minutes of the meeting of September 30, 1996 be approved as amended. Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Absent: 0, motion carried.

IV. Citizens who wish to speak. None

V. Communications were received and noted. a. Emergency Services Council Minutes of Sept. 11, 1996.

b. September 1996 Finance Report. c. Fall Clean-Up, Saturday, Oct. 19, 1996.

VI. Old Business.

a. City Employee Fringe Benefits Discussion/Action. Mr. Morford presented his memorandum of September 17, 1996 and related data regarding proposed change to M.E.R.S. retirement system for city employees and change to Plan "L" of Blue Cross to replace current system.

96-97
Moved by Stevens, supported by Golinick that the City Administration proceed with the necessary paper work to switch the City Employee Retirement system from the present Principal Program to a M.E.R.S. system at the C-1 level. When this change is made the Principal Life Insurance Program will be terminated as it is covered in the C-1 Plan. Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Absent: 0, motion carried.

96-98
Moved by Golinick, supported by Stevens that the City Treasurer and Manager change the city's Blue Cross/Blue Shield program to a plan L System with a \$5.00 drug co-pay as outlined in the memo dated March 15, 1996 from the Grayling City Treasurer. Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Absent: 0, motion carried.

96-99
Moved by Stevens, supported by Mosher that upon implementation of the above two changes, future retirees of the City will no longer receive supplemental payments for the Blue Cross Medi-gap policies which which have been extended to current retirees. No change will be made to any program affecting already retired City Employees and they will continue to receive their principal retirement benefits and city paid health insurance premiums. Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Absent: 0, motion carried.

b. Contractors Estimate #4, 1996 Street Program.

96-100
Moved by Stevens, supported by Ruddy to pay Contractor Estimate #4 for the 1996 Street Program in the amount of \$9,451.31. Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Absent: 0, motion carried.

VII. New Business.

a. Public Hearing Re: Act 198 Application Custom Forest Products. Mayor Golinick opened the Public Hearing at 7:34 p.m.

Ron Hoes addressed Council on Custom Products and explained the purpose for their application for Act 198 and their product line and planned expansion of about 10 to 15 employees. Tim Neff answered questions from Council regarding said application. Mr. Morford noted that no response has been received from any taxing unit which was notified of the Public Hearing. There were no comments from the public regarding the proposed abatement.

Mayor Golinick closed the Public Hearing at 7:40 p.m.

96-101
The following preamble and resolution were offered by Stevens and supported by Akers.

Resolution Approving Application of Custom Forest Products Inc. For Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate For A New Facility (Addition)

WHEREAS, pursuant to P.A. 198 of 1974, M.C.L. 207.551 et seq., after a duly noticed public hearing held on June 29, 1981 this Council by resolution established Industrial Development District No. 1; and

WHEREAS, Custom Forest Products Inc. has filed an application for an Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate with respect to a new facility to be acquired and installed within the Industrial Development District No. 1; and

WHEREAS, before acting on said application, the City of Grayling held a hearing on October 14, 1996, at the City Hall, in Grayling, Michigan, at 7:30 p.m., at which hearing the applicant, the Assessor and a representative of the affected taxing units were given written notice and were afforded an opportunity to be heard on said application; and

WHEREAS, construction of the facility and installation of new machinery and equipment had not begun earlier than six (6) months before September 18, 1996, the date of the acceptance of the application for the Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate; and

WHEREAS, completion of the facility is calculated to and will at the time of issuance of the certificate have the reasonable likelihood to retain, create or prevent the loss of employment in the City of Grayling; and

WHEREAS, the aggregate SEV of real and personal property exempt from ad valorem taxes within the City of Grayling, after granting this certificate, will not exceed 5% of an amount equal to the sum of the SEV of the unit, plus the SEV of personal and real property thus exempted.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY the City Council of the City of Grayling that:

1. The City Council finds and determines that the granting of the Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate considered together with the aggregate amount of certificates previously granted and currently in force under Act No. 198 of the Public Acts of 1974 and Act No. 255 of the Public Acts of 1978, shall not have the effect of substantially impeding the operation of the City of Grayling, or impairing the financial soundness of a taxing unit which levies ad valorem property taxes in the City of Grayling.

2. The application of Custom Forest Products Inc. for an Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate with respect to a new facility to be acquired and installed on the following described parcel of real property situated within the

Industrial Development District No. 1, to wit: Part of the northwest 1/4 of the southeast 1/4 of Sec. 17, T26N-R3W, Grayling Township, Crawford County, Michigan. Commencing at the S. 1/4 cor. of said Sec. 17; thence N. 01 degree 44' E. (along the N. and S. 1/4 line); 1,314.10 feet to the SW cor. of the NW 1/4 of said Sec. 17 for the P.O.B.; thence continuing N. 01 degree 44' E.; 1,055.27 feet to the SW 1/4 right-of-way of the Penn Central Railroad, thence S. 45 degree 48' E. along said R.O.W. 1,505.32' to the S. 1/8 line, thence S. 89 degree 44' 50" W.; 1,111.84 feet to the P.O.B., containing 13.46 acres.

be and the same is hereby approved.

3. The Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate when issued shall be and remain in force and effect for a period of 12 years after completion.

AYES: STEVENS, MOSHER,

GOLINICK, AKERS, RUDDY.

NAYS: NONE.

RESOLUTION DECLARED

ADOPTED.

VIII. Reports of City Manager.

a. Meeting with City Environmental regarding refuse pick-up, recycling, leaf pick-up and major clean-up days. Will go back to picking up larger items on a regular basis instead of a spring and fall clean-up. Will continue into November for leaf pick-up and are considering change of day of week to allow better looks for town on week-ends.

b. M.M.L. Committee request for Council members to express interest.

c. Letter to Representative Lowe for Snowmobile Trail.

96-102

Moved by Mosher, supported by Stevens to send letter to Representative Lowe expressing City approval of Snowmobile Trail from Frederic to Grayling. Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Absent: 0, motion carried.

d. Crawford County Road Commission Letter regarding seasonal roads in outlying townships.

e. Package sent to DEQ October 9, 1996 for termination of letter of credit and vacation of MDNR Order #245-17-90 of 10-26-90.

f. Georgia-Pacific has moved out. They had an IFT for 12 years, have used 8 years. City Council ask the City Manager to check into this and report back at a future meeting as to canceling the balance of the abatement.

g. Meeting with Classic Container Inc. with the City Manager and Mr. Stevens regarding the old Bear Archery property.

IX. Reports of Council Members.

a. Mr. Ruddy ask about Hardee's looking to bid. Mr. Morford noted that actual cutting of woods and billing by the City is a lengthy process and does not solve the problem on a permanent basis.

b. Mr. Golinick ask about selling the car previously used by City Police Department. Council asked Mr. Morford to advertise the 1992 Caprice for sale after determining the value of same.

X. Adjournment.

96-103

Moved by Golinick, supported by Akers that the meeting be adjourned. Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Absent: 0, motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Jerry W. Morford
City Manager & City Clerk

suas or proceedings at law or in equity having been instituted to recover the debt secured by said Mortgage or any part thereof;

That further said mortgage was assigned to Eagle Crest L.L.C., a Michigan Limited Liability Company, whose address is 8167 Sawgrass Trail, Grand Blanc, Michigan 48439 on August 31, 1995 which assignment was recorded on January 24, 1996 at Liber 406, Page 280-281;

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that by virtue of the power of sale contained in said Mortgage, and the statute of the State of Michigan in such case made and provided; on the 22nd day of November, 1996 at 10:00 a.m., Local Time, the undersigned will, on the front steps of Crawford County Court house in the City of Grayling, Michigan that being the place where the Circuit Court for the County of Crawford is held, sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, the premises described in said Mortgage or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amount so as aforesaid due on said Mortgage with the interest thereon at a fixed rate of ten percent (10%) per annum, together with all legal costs, charges and expenses including the attorney fees allowed by law and also any sum or sums which may be paid by the undersigned necessary to protect its interest in the premises which premises are located in the Township of Maple Forest, County of Crawford, Michigan described as follows, to-wit:

Commencing on the Western side of MCRR R.O.W. which is S41°06'W 330.5 feet from intersection with N line of SE1/4 of NE1/4; thence S41°06'W 264 feet, thence N61°20'W 1,090 feet to Easterly bank of Bradford Creek 40 feet South of N line of SE1/4 of NE1/4, thence Northerly along bank approximately 40 feet to said N line, thence E 44.16 feet, thence S68°32'E 704.7 feet to P.O.B., also the NE1/4 lying Westerly of Bradford Lake and Bradford Creek, Section 6, T28N, R3W, MAPLE FOREST TOWNSHIP, CRAWFORD COUNTY, MICHIGAN.

The redemption period shall be six (6) months from the date of sale.

Dated at Brighton, Michigan, October 14, 1996.

ALAN J. CZEKAJ
Attorney for Mortgagee
7994 West Grand River Avenue
Brighton, Michigan 48116

-24-31-7-14-21

STATE OF
MICHIGAN
CRAWFORD
JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
Order For Service
By Publication/Posting
And Notice Of Action

Case No. 96-316-LT
Court address: Crawford County Building,
Grayling, Michigan 49738
(517) 348-2841

LOUIS F. COHRS AND LUCY A. COHRS
Plaintiff

KIRK L. THOMAS and MARSHA J. THOMAS

307 South Ohio Street
Toledo, IL 62468

Defendant
TO: KIRK L. THOMAS and MARSHA J. THOMAS

It is ordered:

You are being sued by plaintiff in this court to FORFEIT THE LAND CONTRACT WITH LOUIS F. COHRS AND LUCY A. COHRS. You must file your answer or take other action permitted by law in this court at the court address above on or before November 26, 1996 at 1:00 p.m. If you fail to do so, a default judgement may be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint filed in this case.

A copy of this order shall be sent to Kirk L. Thomas and Marsha J. Thomas at the last known address by registered mail, return receipt requested, before the date of the last publication, and the affidavit of mailing shall be filed with this court.

Dated October 25, 1996

Judge Francis L. Walsh

-7-14-21

NOTICE OF
MORTGAGE
SALE

Robert A. Tremaine & Associates, P.C. is attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose.

Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by DANIEL HIVELEY JR., A MARRIED MAN AND APRIL HIVELEY HIS WIFE TO WORLD WIDE FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC., Mortgagee, dated March 1, 1996, and recorded on March 18, 1996, in Liber 408, on page 567, CRAWFORD County Records, Michigan, and assigned by said mortgagee to CONTIMORTGAGE CORPORATION, by an assignment dated March 6, 1996, and recorded on September 3, 1996, in Liber 417, on page 226, CRAWFORD County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of thirty two thousand seven hundred twenty one and 67/100 Dollars (\$32,721.67), including interest at 14.300% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the front door of County Building, Grayling, MI, at 10:00 AM on November 27, 1996.

Said premises are situated in TOWNSHIP OF GRAYLING, CRAWFORD COUNTY, Michigan and are described as:

LOT 36 — TIMBERIDGE ESTATES #2, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN LIBER 03 OF PLATS, PAGE 14, CRAWFORD COUNTY RECORDS.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241(a) in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

DATED: October 17, 1996

ATTORNEY FOR: Assignee of Mortgage
Robert A. Tremaine & Associates, P.C.
401 South Woodward Avenue
Suite 300
Birmingham, MI 48009-6616

-17-24-31-7-14

NOTICE OF
MORTGAGE
SALE

Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain Mortgage made by THOUSAND ADVENTURERS OF MICHIGAN, INC. a Michigan corporation whose address is CT Corporation Systems, c/o The Corporation Company, 30600 Telegraph Road, Bingham Farms, Michigan 48025, to EAGLE CREST RECREATION PHASE I, INC., a Michigan Corporation whose address is 8461 Woodland Shores Drive, Brighton, Michigan, dated November 1, 1993, recorded in the Register of Deeds August 31, 1993, Liber 367, Page 166-168, on which Mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date of this notice for principal and interest the sum of ONE HUNDRED FIFTY THREE DOLLARS AND 57/100 (\$101,153.57) DOLLARS as of September 30, 1996 with a per diem rate thereafter of TWENTY EIGHT AND 90/100 (\$28.90) DOLLARS, with interest at the rate of ten percent (10%) per annum, and no suit or proceedings at law or in equity having been instituted to recover the debt secured by said Mortgage or any part thereof;

That further said mortgage was assigned to Eagle Crest L.L.C., a Michigan Limited Liability Company, whose address is 8167 Sawgrass Trail, Grand Blanc, Michigan 48439 on August 31, 1995 which assignment was recorded on January 24, 1996 at Liber 406, Page 280-281;

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that by virtue of the power of sale contained in said Mortgage, and the statute of the State of Michigan in such case made and provided; on the 22nd day of November, 1996 at 10:00 a.m., Local Time, the undersigned will, on the front steps of Crawford County Court house in the City of Grayling, Michigan that being the place where the Circuit Court for the County of Crawford is held, sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, the premises described in said Mortgage or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amount so as aforesaid due on said Mortgage with the interest thereon at a fixed rate of ten percent (10%) per annum, together with all legal costs, charges and expenses including the attorney fees allowed by law and also any sum or sums which may be paid by the undersigned necessary to protect its interest in the premises which premises are located in the Township of Maple Forest, County of Crawford, Michigan described as follows, to-wit:

Commencing 312 feet West of Southeast corner of Northwest 1/4 of Section 6, Town 28 North, Range 3 West, Maple Forest Township, Crawford County, Michigan described as: Commencing at the Northeast corner of Section 6, Town 28 North, Range 3 West; thence South 00 degrees 19 minutes 49 seconds East, 1307.98 feet along the East line of said Section 6; thence North 89 degrees 50 minutes 16 seconds West 1303.02 feet along the East-West 1/8 line as monumented and occupied in the said fractional Northeast 1/4; thence North 89 degrees 59 minutes 38 seconds West, 881.30 feet along the East-West 1/8 line as monumented and occupied in the said fractional Northeast 1/4 to the Point of Beginning; thence South 00 degrees 00 minutes 22 seconds West, 6,000 feet; thence North 89 degrees 59 minutes 38 seconds West 1122.27 feet; thence North 42 degrees 25 minutes 22 seconds West, 103.38 feet; thence North 47 degrees 34 minutes 38

seconds East, 58.00 feet; thence South 42 degrees 25 minutes 22 seconds East, 15.00 feet; thence South 64 degrees 54 minutes 03 seconds East, 109.42 feet; thence South 29 degrees 59 minutes 38 seconds East, 60 feet to the Point of Beginning.

The redemption period shall be six (6) months from the date of sale.

Dated at Brighton, Michigan, October 14, 1996.

ALAN J. CZEKAJ
Attorney for Mortgagee
7994 West Grand River Avenue
Brighton, Michigan 48116

-24-31-7-14-21

NOTICE OF
MORTGAGE
SALE

Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain Mortgage made by THOUSAND ADVENTURERS OF MICHIGAN, INC. a Michigan corporation whose address is CT Corporation Systems, c/o The Corporation Company, 30600 Telegraph Road, Bingham Farms, Michigan 48025, to EAGLE CREST RECREATION PHASE I, INC., a Michigan Corporation whose address is 8461 Woodland Shores Drive, Brighton, Michigan, dated November 1, 1993, recorded in the Register of Deeds August 31, 1993, Liber 399, Page 161-163, on which Mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date of this notice for principal and interest the sum of THIRTY NINE THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED EIGHTEEN DOLLARS AND 13/100 (\$39,718.13) DOLLARS as of September 30, 1996 with a per diem rate thereafter of ELEVEN AND 03/100 (\$11.03) DOLLARS, with interest at the rate of ten percent (10%) per annum, and no suit or proceedings at law or in equity having been instituted to recover the debt secured by said Mortgage or any part thereof;

That further said mortgage was assigned to Eagle Crest L.L.C., a Michigan Limited Liability Company, whose address is 8167 Sawgrass Trail, Grand Blanc, Michigan 48439 on August 31, 1995 which assignment was recorded on January 24, 1996 at Liber 406, Page 280-281;

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that by virtue of the power of sale contained in said Mortgage, and the statute of the State of Michigan in such case made and provided; on the 22nd day of November, 1996 at 10:00 a.m., Local Time, the undersigned will, on the front steps of Crawford County Court house in the City of Grayling, Michigan that being the place where the Circuit Court for the County of Crawford is held, sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, the premises described in said Mortgage or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amount so as aforesaid due on said Mortgage with the interest thereon at a fixed rate of ten percent (10%) per annum, together with all legal costs, charges and expenses including the attorney fees allowed by law and also any sum or sums which may be paid by the undersigned necessary to protect its interest in the premises which premises are located in the Township of Maple Forest, County of Crawford, Michigan described as follows, to-wit:

PARCEL "T"
Part of the Northwest 1/4 and of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 6, Town 28 North, Range 3 West, described as follows: Beginning at the Northwest corner of said Section 6; thence South 86°11'37" East along the North line of said Section 6, 519.86 feet; thence South 36°10'44" East, 643.46 feet; thence South 47°26'45" East, 560.82 feet; thence South 86°11'36" East, 975.10 feet to the centerline of the private road "Brunn Trail"; thence South 04°13'50" East along the center of said "Brunn Trail", 262.29 feet; thence continuing along centerline of said "Brunn Trail", South 61°44'24" East, 307.39 feet to a point, henceforth referred to as "Reference Point A"; said "Reference Point A" being on the Southwesterly boundary of a parcel of land owned by the Otego County Drain Commission and described in Liber 211, Pages 357-358, Otego Records; thence South 42°23'30" East, (recorded as South 42°23'22" West) along said Southwesterly boundary, 22 feet, more or less, to the centerline of Bradford Creek; thence Southwesterly along the said centerline of Bradford Creek, 1132 feet, more or less, to a point that is South 31°14'03" East, 183 feet, more or less, from a point, henceforth referred to as "Reference Point B", on the Northwesterly side of Bradford Creek; thence North 31°14'03" West 183 feet, more or less, to said "Reference Point B"; being the following 6 courses from said "Reference Point A":

1. S 47°47'44" W	82.00'
2. S 28°19'42" W	110.55'
3. S 11°50'14" W	81.59'
4. S 70°37'40" W	364.52'
5. S 31°40'12" W	200.66'
6. S 61°42'07" W	125.68'

thence continuing North 31°14'03" West, 776.10 feet; thence North 70°11'53" West, 1209.36 feet; thence North 70°09'15" West, 323.71 feet; thence North 31°13'09" West, 44.54 feet to the West line of said Section 6; thence North 01°16'23" West along said West Section line, 767.49 feet, to the Point of Beginning, containing 40.52 acres, more or less. Subject to and together with a private road easements described below as "Brunn Trail" Subject and a "Brunn Trail" North". SUBJECT TO all agreements, covenants, encumbrances, and restrictions of record, if any. The redemption period shall be six (6) months from the date of sale.

Dated at Brighton, Michigan, October 14, 1996.

ALAN J. CZEKAJ
Attorney for Mortgagee
7994 West Grand River Avenue
Brighton, Michigan 48116

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ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR
BUILDING AUTHORITY BOARD POSITION

Please be advised the Crawford County Board of Commissioners will be accepting applications from Crawford County residents to serve on the building authority board. Applications will be accepted at the office of Sandra Moore, County Clerk-Register of Deeds, through 4 pm Nov. 21, 1996, at the Crawford County Courthouse, 200 W. Michigan Avenue, Grayling, MI 49738.

Sandra Moore
County Clerk-Register of Deeds
Dated: 11-4-96

(Note: as per motion passed at the 10-29-96 regular board meeting.)

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NOTICE
BUILDING CONTRACTORS

Lovells Township Board is taking bids for an addition to the township fire hall. Prints may be picked up at the township hall on Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday between 9 am and 3 pm. Any questions can be answered by Supervisor Fred Schably at the office, 348-9215, or at home, 348-7085. Bids need to be submitted by 3 pm on Wednesday, November 20, 1996.

The Lovells Township Board reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to award the bid to other than low bidders, and in general to make the award in any manner deemed by it, in its sole discretion, to be in the best interest of Lovells Township.

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Cheryl Hopp, Clerk

GRAYLING TOWNSHIP NOTICE

The Grayling Township Board will hold a PUBLIC HEARING on November 12, 1996, beginning at 8 pm, in the Conference Room of the Grayling Township Hall, 2090 Viking Way (M-72 West), Grayling, to receive and review public comment regarding the following request:

A request for RENEWAL of SANDY TRAIL SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT FOR MAINTENANCE. Sections 16 & 17, T26N, R2W.

Property owners fronting on Sandy Trail or using same for access that feel they would not benefit from renewal of the Special Assessment should be present at this hearing or notify Grayling Township prior to the hearing to protect their rights for further appeal.

Special Assessment Roll may be examined at the Grayling Township Hall during regular business hour.

Correspondence concerning the request may be directed to: Grayling Township, P.O. Box 521, Grayling, MI 49738. Phone (517) 348-4361 or FAX (517) 348-8713.

Monica S. Ashton, C.M.C.
Grayling Township Clerk

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BUILDING CLOSURE NOTICE

The Crawford County Courthouse will be closed Monday, Nov. 11, 1996, in observance of Veterans Day, and will reopen as usual at 8:30 am Tuesday morning, Nov. 12, 1996. Have a safe and happy holiday.

Sandra Moore
County Clerk/Register of Deeds

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NOTICE TO GRAYLING
TOWNSHIP RESIDENTS

1997 Township Compactor Decals will be available beginning November 12th. 1996 decals will be honored through December 31, 1996. The annual fee for the decal is \$30. Decals may be purchased at the Township Hall, 2090 Viking Way (M-72 West), during regular business hours Monday through Friday, 8:

FACTS AND
FEATURES

YOUR HOROSCOPE

Your Week Ahead Horoscope

Forecast For: November 3 - 9, 1996

- ARIES**
March 21-April 19
This is a good week to experiment with that new project. Productivity signs are high. You can accomplish much.
- TAURUS**
April 20 - May 20
Teamwork works well both at home and in the office. Could you be the problem at both places?
- GEMINI**
May 21 - June 20
Domestic pressures accelerate. Expect bad news to travel fast. Don't try to keep pace with others.
- CANCER**
June 21 - July 22
What starts out as a frustrating experience will turn into a great adventure. Don't give up too easily... hang in there!
- LEO**
July 23 - Aug 22
A more positive approach to a negative situation will garner greater results. Don't be surprised when you succeed.
- VIRGO**
Aug 23 - Sept 22
A great week to travel! Head out on Monday and don't plan on returning until Friday or Saturday. Business outlook is good.
- LIBRA**
Sept 23 - Oct 22
This may be a good time to call in favors due. You will be rewarded in direct proportion to the help you provided in the past.
- SCORPIO**
Oct 23 - Nov 21
Romantic partner should be more sympathetic to your needs. Communication is vital if you want to cement your relationship.
- SAGITTARIUS**
Nov 22 - Dec 21
Something lost will be returned. You may have to probe deeply to discover the whole story.
- CAPRICORN**
Dec 22 - Jan 19
A more flexible schedule will reduce stress. And set aside a little time each day, just for you.
- AQUARIUS**
Jan 20 - Feb 18
Patience will be hard to come by this week. Keep your temper in check and swallow your pride, if necessary, to keep the peace.
- PISCES**
Feb 19 - March 20
Secrets will be shared. Be careful whom you believe. Get the facts before repeating what may be gossip.



HOMES NEEDED! — Good homes are needed for dogs and cats. If you can provide one, visit the Animal Shelter of Crawford County. Stop by or give them a call at 348-4117.

PET CARE TIPS

POST-HALLOWEEN TIP — Don't let your pets eat the Halloween candy. Chocolate contains an element potentially fatal to dogs — theobromine. When ingested in large quantities, it can cause vomiting, hyperactivity, seizures and coma. Chocolate toxicosis kills, warns the Animal Protection Institute, so seek veterinary help immediately if your dog has consumed a dangerous amount and starts acting strangely. (Two-three ounces in a miniature dog can send it into shock.)

WEEKEND CROSSWORD

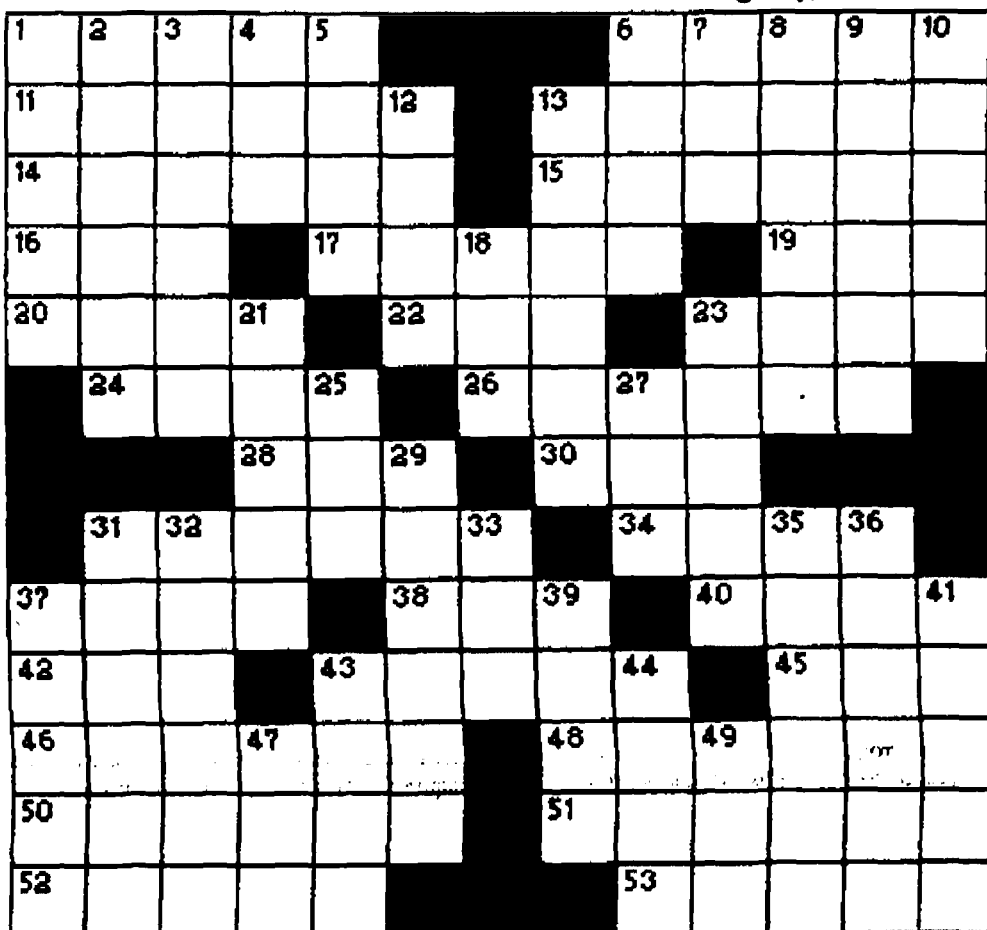
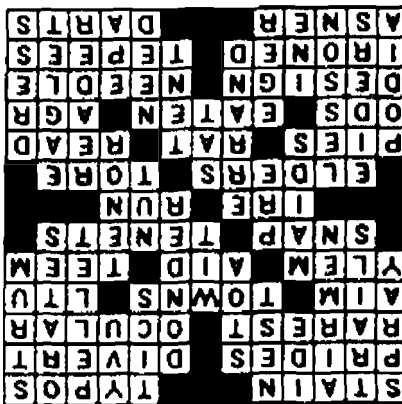
ACROSS

1. Taint
2. Printed errors
3. Lion groups
4. Distract
5. Least common
6. Optic
7. Goal
8. Small cities
9. Louisiana Tech, Univ., init.
10. Pre big-bang matter
11. Help
12. Swarm
13. Virgo
14. Doctrine
15. Anger
16. Manage
17. Church officers
18. Rent
19. Desserts
20. Rodent
21. Peruse
22. Old-fashioned oath
23. Devoured
24. Agriculture, abbr.
25. Plan
26. Bedevil
27. Pressed

21. Indian dwellings
22. Ed
23. Barbs

DOWN

1. Flower arrangement
2. Follows
3. Fliers
4. Chem. suffix
5. Snug retreat
6. Twitches
7. Yen value unit, init.
8. Little ball
9. Declaims
10. Play a guitar
11. Greek porch
12. One of Santa's reindeer
13. Humor
21. Servants
23. General meaning
25. Before
27. Crackpot
29. Mission
31. Northern sea duck, pl.
32. Exercised
33. Convened
35. Grade-school book
36. Young eagle
37. Dais, pl.
39. Canvas shelter
41. Cloth
43. Elbe tributary
44. Want
47. W. Saxon king
49. Environmental por. agency, init.



A LOOK AT OUR PAST FROM THE PAGES OF THE AVALANCHE

23 Years Ago
Nov. 8, 1973

Community school director Howard Taylor, has announced that recreational facilities of the Crawford AuSable Schools are now open to adult members of the community for various recreation activities.

Dorothy Stockbridge and Ruth Grutch are among the some 50 area people who will participate in Arttrain activities when the train visits Roscommon Nov. 25-29. "Arttrain brings art closer to the people, but also shows communities the art and the interest in art close at hand," Barbara Gates of Higgins Lake, chairperson of the local visit, said last week. The train, prepared and presented by the Michigan Council for the Arts, is sponsored locally by the Roscommon County Board of Commissioners.

The Rev. and Mrs. Paul Frederick of the Michelson Memorial Methodist Church have consented to lead a second tour to the Holy Land and Greece. In 1972, they and 16 Graylingites, took this identical tour which is providing a lifetime of inspiration and memories.

Visit the new ski shop at the Grayling Mercantile Co.

A son, Christopher James, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Howard Lehti of Grayling on Nov. 3. He weighed 7 lbs., 7 ozs. at birth.

People of Frederic, don't forget your Glen's Market slips for our Library. We need all the help you can give.

Hunting season is on now folks. Keep your dogs tied up if you love them. One of our neighbors had their dog shot. You don't want that to happen to your dog, do you? Tie them. Don't let them run.

Mrs. Margie Harwood, Todd, Pauline, and Mrs. Ruth Caid visited Mr. and Mrs. David Paquette over the weekend. They attended the Ice Frolic in Detroit on Saturday evening.

Mrs. Violette Richard visited her son and family Mr. and Mrs. Harold Richard in Freeland over the weekend.

Mrs. Sophie Koernke returned home Sunday after spending a week with her daughter and family Mr. and Mrs. Tom Stalker in Saline.

Navy Seaman Robert E. King, son of Mr. and Mrs. Homer O. King of 402 Milkado St., has reported for duty aboard the USS Lexington aircraft carrier, homeported at Pensacola, Fla.

Laura Gould accepted an award from former Gov. John Swainson for Crawford County, which had the highest E.B.I. for the Associate Level Society. E.B.I. is the effective buying income in a given area after taxes which reflects the wealth of a county.

The award was presented to Mrs. Gould at the State Convention held at the Ramada Inn in Detroit. Maureen McNamara was also in attendance. Swainson was selected by the Easter Seal Society for Crippled Children and Adults Inc. of Michigan as the one whom has most successfully overcome his handicap.

46 Years Ago
Nov. 9, 1950

Mrs. Van Smith and Mrs. Geo. Colten have leased Jerrie's Ranch at Lake Margrethe.

Misses June and Ernestine Williams who are employed in Pontiac spent the weekend here visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Burton Williams.

Mr. and Mrs. Otis Weaver have returned from a trip to Detroit.

Mr. and Mrs. V. Hartman had as their guests this past week Mr. and Mrs. Merle Hartman and son, Mark of Marquette, and Mrs. Lester Hartman of Davison.

Roland Wilcox of Flint spent the weekend here.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Rowland were in Vassar recently to attend the funeral of a relative.

Miss Gloria Moore spent the weekend with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Charles Moore and had as her guests the Misses Betsy Keith and Shirley Simpson of Grosse Pointe. The young ladies are all students at Alma College.

Bob Papendick was home from Flint and spent the weekend with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Papendick.

Bob Strong was host to several friends at a belated Halloween party Saturday evening.

Roger Giegling, Thane Hendershot, Ed Smith, and Robert Strong spent the weekend in Ann Arbor and Detroit, where they attended the U of M vs. Illinois and the Chicago Bears vs. Detroit Lions football games.

Around 50 young people, members of the group of Michelson Memorial Church enjoyed a Halloween party at the farm of Rev. and Mrs. R. C. Puffer.

Miss Barbara Cornell entertained around 20 of her girl friends Monday afternoon at the Cornell cottage at Lake Margrethe to celebrate her 11th birthday.

The Perry Wells have moved into their new home on Plum St. Wm. Joseph attended the clothing show in Detroit recently.

Mrs. Wm. F. Golinick spent a week with her daughter Geraldine Golinick in Bay City. Sheriff Golinick drove to

Bay City on Thursday and both returned to Grayling with him. Miss Golinick returned to Bay City Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jess Sales visited their daughter, Miss Christine, at Michigan State College on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. William LaGrow entertained the Just US Club and their husbands at a party at their home Saturday evening. Cards were played and a potluck lunch enjoyed.

Mrs. Laura McLeod has returned home after an extended visit in Clawson, Port Huron and Bay City.

She has resumed her position at Grayling High School in the hot lunch project.

Mrs. Robert Bovee is teaching at the South Side School in place of Mrs. Leroy Akers.

69 Years Ago
Nov. 10, 1927

A pleasant surprise party was given Saturday evening for Mrs. Peter Larson in honor of her birthday anniversary which fell on the following Monday. Pinochle was enjoyed. Mrs. Ben Yoder won first prize and Mrs. Scott Wylie second.

Mr. and Mrs. Lester Astray are the proud parents of a son, born Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. William Golinick of Flint spent the weekend visiting relatives and friends here.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Chamberlain motored up from Detroit and visited the former's mother, Mrs. Peter Larson.

Mrs. Ollie MacLeod and daughter, Helen Elaine, Misses Vella Hermann, Margaret Fyvie and Paul Lehne motored to Onaway Sunday and spent the day with the Edward and Wallace Larson families.

A number of friends of Mrs. Joseph McLeod called on her Monday evening to remind her that it was her birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. E.W. Simpson, formerly of Grayling, now of Stittsville, spent a few days here last week visiting their son, Wilbur and family. The Simpsons now have a fine farm in Missaukee County.

Herbert Stephan and family spent a few days last week visiting at the home of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Stephan.

94 Years Ago
Nov. 6, 1902

Married at the home of the groom's parents, Grayling, Tuesday evening, Nov. 4, Floyd Smith and Miss Gertrude Parsons.

Fun & Wedding

Presidential Fun Facts

Longest-Serving U.S. President:
Franklin D. Roosevelt, 12 years

Shortest-Serving U.S. President:
William H. Harrison, 32 days

Longest-Lived U.S. President:
John Adams, 90+ years

Oldest U.S. President:
Ronald Reagan, almost 70 years

Youngest U.S. President:
Theodore Roosevelt, 42 years

Tallest U.S. President:
Abraham Lincoln, 6'4"

Shortest U.S. President:
James Madison, 5'4"

Think About This: What are some things you would do if you were the president of the United States?

WEATHER

Courtesy of the City of Grayling

Date	High	Low	Precip.
10/30	50	25	0.78
10/31	49	23	0.28
11/01	30	23	0.12
11/02	30	22	0.12
11/03	33	21	0.02
11/04	40	29	
11/05	51	34	0.02

Extended forecast courtesy of the U.S. Weather Service in Gaylord: Wednesday will be mostly cloudy with highs in the mid-50s and a 40% chance of rain in the afternoon. Thursday rain showers with highs in the mid-40s to upper 50s, with lows in the 40s. Friday will have a chance of snow with highs in the mid-30s to low 40s, and lows in the 40s. Saturday chance of snow showers with lows in the mid-20s and highs in the mid-30s.

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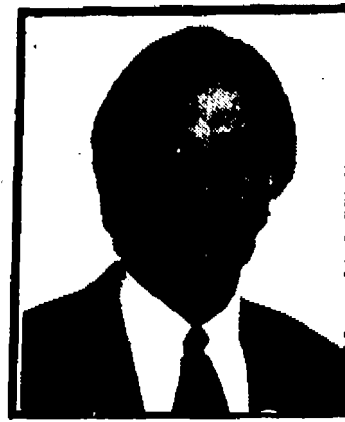
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17.5 FT FRONTAGE ON THE MANISTEE Majestic white pines that line the river bank. 2,895 sq. ft., basement, 30x30 pole barn, three bedrooms, two baths, sun porch facing the river, covered porch off the master suite, extensive landscaping, vaulted ceilings with three skylights, large window walls onto deck. All on 10.6 acres of land. Adjoins state land. A MUST SEE. \$227,500. CH-425



750' ON THE MANISTEE RIVER Two bedrooms, one bath, offers 1,152 heated sq. ft. plus 200 heated sq. ft. guest quarters. Split-stone fireplace with insert. Home has been very well maintained. Property includes: 24x24 detached garage with large storage closet, 12x12 shed, greenhouse and fenced garden area. 17 acres +/- with 750 ft of Manistee River frontage. \$139,000. CS-408



NEW LAKE MARGRETHE OFFERING 80' sandy beach frontage, adjacent to private park, ideal expanded side yard for outdoor activities. Cedar-sided, modern, two-story, 1,515 sq. ft., three bedrooms, two baths, appliances, hot tub, 8x16 cedar enclosed porch with hardwood floors. Custom kitchen, great room, door well onto balcony. Barber carpet, split-stone hearth with Jotul woodburner. Cobblestone walkways, landscaped yard, three-zone sprinkling system. Concrete and w/armorized seawall. \$175,000. CH-492



TALKING HOUSE
CHALET ON LAKE MARGRETHE VIEWS OF FRONTAGE. Enjoy family quality time in this new 2,800 sq. ft. home offering 3 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, 2nd floor laundry, living, dining, kitchen and fireplace. Large deck with hot tub, 18x20 shed, 20x26 detached garage plus 20x26 garage. 18x20 log porch house, large deck, many more. \$219,900. CS-219



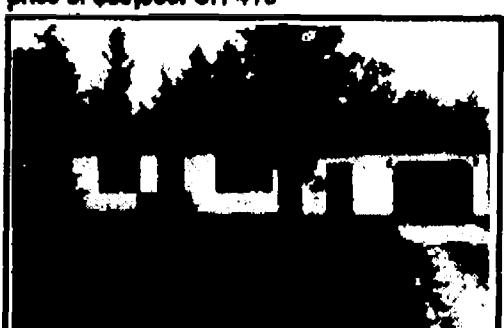
FULL-LOG GETAWAY tucked away amongst beautiful birchpines. Adjacent to thousands of acres of AuSable state forest. 1,200 sq. ft. cathedral ceiling in great room, finish and save. \$39,000. Price reduced to \$32,900. CH-398



TALKING HOUSE
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MANISTEE RIVERFRONT COTTAGE! 50' high-bank frontage. 15x21 great room overlooking the famous Manistee River. Roof siding and septic all redone approximately eight years ago. State land and Blue Bear Snowmobiles trail across road. All for the low price of \$39,900. CH-416



FRESHLY RENOVATED, three bedrooms, 1 1/2 baths, new furnished kitchen cabinets, countertop and floor coverings. Sliding doorwall onto 10x12 deck. Vinyl siding, thermopane windows, all on corner lot offering backdrop streets, natural gas and underground utilities. \$61,900. CH-491



100' OF FRONTAGE ON PAVED "HOLY WATER" of the AuSable Mainstream. Buy a piece of northern Michigan's history. This home was formerly a Civilian Conservation Corp. camp that hired unemployed young men to plant trees, build dams, work on the river and fight forest fires. 1,800 sq. ft., 2 bedrooms with hardwood floors. Living room offers knotty pine walls. Large dining room with walk-in closet. 2 bedrooms with separate entrances, 2 garages. Beautiful mature trees on the property with bubbling creek running through. \$98,000. CS-490

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GREAT FAMILY HOME Well cared for three-bedroom, two-bath home. Kitchen has recently been remodeled and offers oak cabinets, built-in dishwasher and appliance garage, and two-car garage. Adjoins state land. \$60,900. BSO-420

THIS CUTE CABIN nestled among the pines is only 1/4 mile from Bear Lake. Salsbox design features one bedroom, loft bedroom, bathroom, knotty pine living room, gallery kitchen, heavily-stained exterior. The perfect getaway for only \$18,995. KM-405

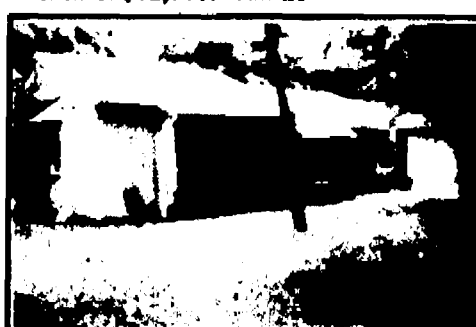
200' FRONTAGE ON BLACK CREEK 1.3 acres features 20x30 pavilion, well and septic installed in 1984, gazebo, 1977 27-ft. travel trailer with bath and shower. electricity, phone line and cable TV available. \$12,500. KM-294



PERFECT RETIREMENT OR STARTER HOME Very neat home on a double lot. This home offers an attached 2-car garage, 2 bedrooms, family room, storage building and most furnishings. Home is ready to move into! \$49,900. BSO-494



BEAUTIFUL HOME ON THE CANAL in Harbor Beach Association. 4 bedrooms or 3 bedrooms with a den, master bedroom on 2nd floor, with sitting area and gas log fireplace. Walk-in closet. 143' of frontage on the canal. Tappan range, refrigerator, dishwasher, washer & dryer included. \$174,995. JG-473



3-BEDROOM HOME IN BERTWOOD FOREST Well-maintained, three-bedroom home with full basement. 18x20 deck with very appealing back yard. Newer appliances, water heater and shingles. Attached garage. Reduced \$75,000. JG-434

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ELM STREET Two lots with a variety of trees. Two-bedroom home, just remodeled, storage building and fenced yard. \$44,500. Reduced to \$42,500. (MC-499)



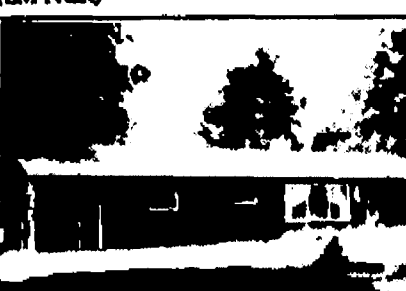
GRAYLING MANOR Two- or three-bedroom home, one-car garage, nice wooded lot, near high school. Natural gas, new siding, roofing, deck, storm doors, etc. Ready to move in. Includes stove and refrigerator. \$56,900. (LM-NCR)



CITY CONVENIENCE Three-bedroom, two-bath home, like new condition. Natural gas hot water heat. Includes stove, refrigerator, washer & dryer. Deck and parking slab, three ceiling fans. \$69,900. (LM-920)



DEER TRACK TRAIL Eight miles east of Grayling. Three-bedroom mobile with added living room, storage buildings, 18x20 deck, near South Branch and Mainstream AuSable River. \$25,900. Reduced \$23,900. (DL-33)



NICE SUBDIVISION Three bedrooms, dining room, fireplace, two-car garage, large lot and is located in a nice subdivision. \$69,900. (MC-511)



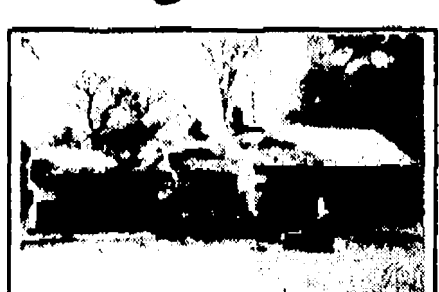
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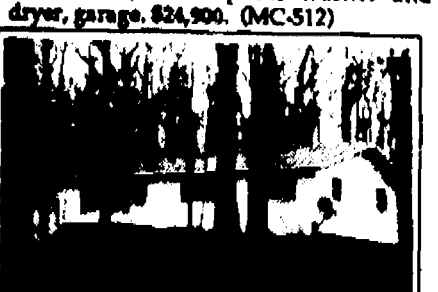
GRAYLING MOBILE ESTATES 720 sq. ft., two-bedroom mobile home in good condition. Refrigerator, stove, dishwasher, hook-up for washer and dryer, garage. \$24,900. (MC-512)



AUSABLE RIVER MAINSTREAM Three-level A-frame, four bedrooms, close to town. Four-bedroom home with circular stairs, lower-level great room, 20x34 w/brick wall fireplace and woodburner insert, 12' doorwall, garage w/half bath, a great view of river. \$125,900. (MC-479)



KAREN WOODS Large wooded lot, close to town. Four-bedroom home with garage and swimming pool. Natural gas hot water heat, close to Lake Margrethe. Reduced to \$79,900. (DL-47)



CLOSE TO LAKE MARGRETHE 1,328 sq. ft., three-bedroom ranch with 20x34 w/brick wall fireplace. Blazing yellow pine flooring. Southern woodstove, many extras, new roofing. Adjoins state land, just listed. \$47,900. Reduced, \$44,900. (JW-52)

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8. Announcements

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9. Personals

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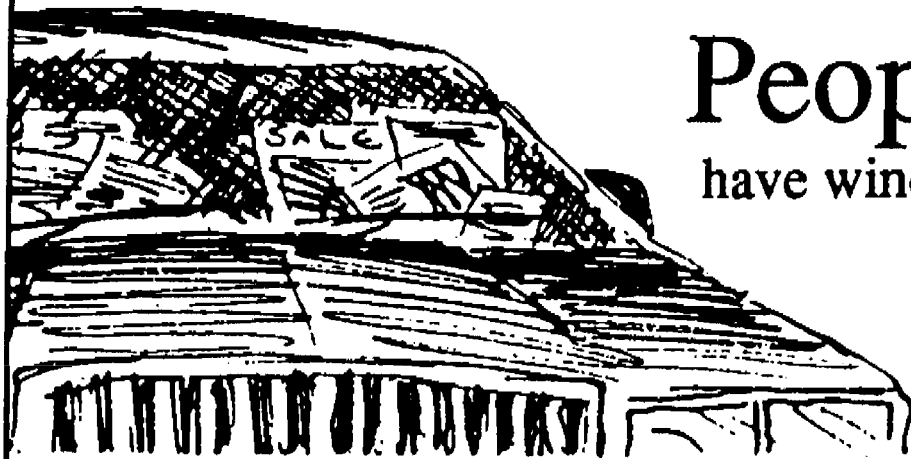
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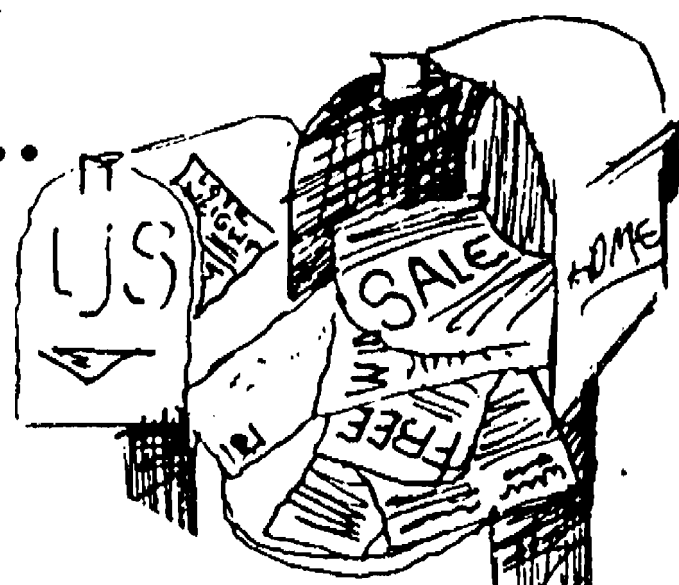
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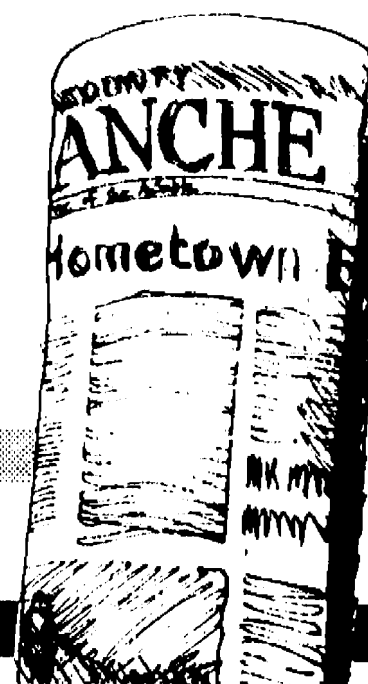
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Grayling focuses on in-state tourism

A new state Travel Bureau study revealing a below-average turnout of out-of-state tourists throughout Michigan this year doesn't worry Grayling travel officials.

Jerry Meyer, executive director of the Grayling Area Visitor's Council, said his community focuses on the in-state traveler because of Michigan's geography. "Since Michigan is a peninsula, it's always a trip to get anywhere in the state," he said.

Grayling has not seen a decline in out-of-state visitors, although no official count has been taken, according to Meyer. "Our major market has always been Michigan," he said.

A handful of Ohio residents find Grayling a good vacation spot for snowmobiling in the winter, and residents from Indiana and Illinois account for a small turnout, so the bureau advertises to these markets by sending press packages to regional papers. But Meyer said the majority of out-of-state travelers stop in southern

Michigan instead of driving further north.

He described Michigan as three separate states: the southern and upper halves of the Lower Peninsula and the Upper Peninsula, each with a different target tourist.

Meyer said Travel Bureau statistics on out-of-state travelers deal with the southern part of the state, rather than Grayling, because areas such as Detroit are more accessible to out-of-staters.

But Tom Altemus, executive director of the Michigan Travel Bureau, said Grayling needs to worry that Michigan tourists might go elsewhere. "The tourism market is growing at about seven percent in Michigan each year," he said. "But at the same time, the state is losing its market share." Michigan lags as the 16th-largest travel state in the nation, according to Travel Bureau statistics.

More people are traveling nationally, but fewer are coming to Michigan, according to Altemus. This includes in-state tourists who are being drawn away by the competition — states such as West Virginia, Vermont and Missouri, which Michigan residents

previously didn't consider vacation spots.

Altemus said many states have expanded promotional efforts to include theme parks and points of interest, such as Cleveland's Rock and Roll Hall of Fame.

"There are four times as many tourism destinations now than there were ten years ago," Altemus said.

But Meyer said Grayling targets the driving tourist — the relatively few willing to travel that far north. A lack of major air and water travel access forces most tourists to arrive by car. Traverse City's Cherry Capital Airport is the only major commercial airport near Grayling, and the Ludington ferry, which operates between Michigan and Wisconsin, attracts visitors mostly to lakefront cities, he said. "If they're going to come this far up, it's on wheels."

Altemus said the Ludington ferry now offers packages to places as far from the dock as Detroit, giving Grayling another strategy to attract Wisconsin tourists.

But the car is still mightier than the boat, which is why Grayling needs to try to keep customers for week-long stays and longer seasonal visits, Altemus said. Cheaper gas prices have spurred car travel in the past few years, helping Grayling's tourism industry, he said.

Car travel peaks on the Fourth of July, which usually results in gridlock at the merging of I-75 and U.S. 27 just south of Grayling. In 1994, a traffic count showed an average of 28,000 cars a day traveling through the area.

But Altemus said the tourism industry should still look for untapped markets. "They need to look at how to build the next group if the group they have today is diverted or challenged by other destinations," he said. "Destinations grow or die according to this strategy."

Bodybuilders

competed

In Grand Rapids

At the annual Western Michigan Natural Bodybuilding Championships three local bodybuilders competed.

Mary Ann Bloomquist, Joe Ferrigan and Rich Ferrigan placed in the top four of their weight classes at the contest held in Grand Rapids.

In her first bodybuilding competition, Bloomquist placed fourth in the women's lightweight class.

"I placed fourth out of four, but when I was done I felt like I was on top of the world," Bloomquist said.

Joe Ferrigan, competing in his second contest, placed third in the middle weight division.

"This sport is not for everyone. The diet and training is very hard, but it's more than worth it," Joe said.

Rich Ferrigan won the mens lightweight division. He also recently won the Grand Traverse Bodybuilding Championship. He placed second in the Rose City Natural Bodybuilding Championship and in the Central States Bodybuilding Championships.

Placing second at Central States qualified him to compete at the national level.

"Bodybuilding is a very individualized sport and requires a lot of discipline to stay focused on training and eating right," Rich said.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Your views are welcome on the Opinion Page. Letters may be typed or handwritten, but please double-space or use every other line.

Every letter must be signed and an address and phone number should be included. Letters will not be published without the author's name.

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'SPOOKY VOLUNTEERS' — There were 45 residents who volunteered their time for the Halloween Spookfest. Pictured, from left, are four of the volunteers: Bob Breah, Bill O'Mara, Ruth O'Mara and Barb Breah.

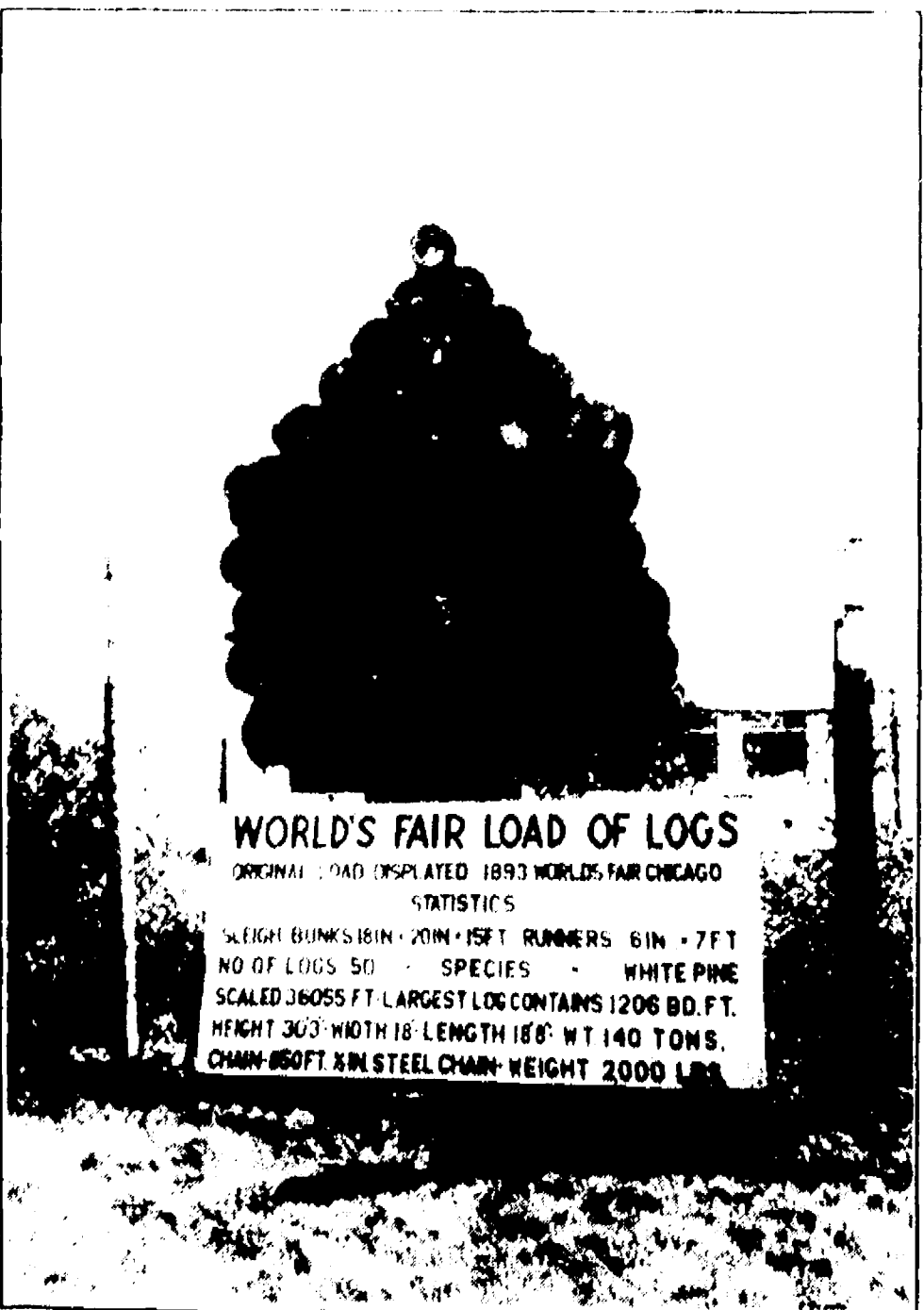
Downstream glances



FALLING WATERS — The small pond and waterfall pictured here is formed by a spring on the south bank of the AuSable River. Access to large springs, located in Oscoda County near the Lumbermen's Memorial Monument, has been improved in recent years. New steps and boardwalks make the springs much more accessible. Visitors are cautioned, however, that 292 steps down the riverbank to the springs means 292 steps back up, too.

Photo by Jim Brinkman

Backward glances



LARGEST LOAD — The largest load of logs assembled on a sled in Michigan during the rollicking "White Pine Era" has been replicated and may be seen in the small Upper Peninsula town of Ewen. It was common to load logs on sleds during the winter months and ice down trails which led to riverbanks and railheads.

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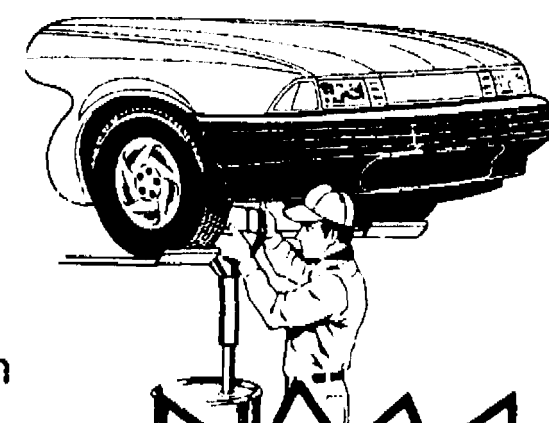
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